THE WEATHER.

Rain today; slightly warmer; Sunday, rain; colder in west portion; moderate winds.

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ARE NOTHING BUT GENERAL PROMISES

Roosevelt Thus Classes the General Arbitration Treaties.

WISE TO ABROGATE TREATY

The General Arbitration Treaties Are Not Worth the Paper on Which They Are Printed—Arrant Hypocrisy

New York, Dec. 29.—The following editorial on "The Russian Treaty, Arbitration and Hypocrisy," by Theodore Roosevelt, appears in the current issue of The Outlook:

"I cordially approve the action taken by Congress in abrogating the Russian treaty, because men must vote and act on the situation as it actually confronts them; and in the actual event Congressmen had but two alternatives, namely, to abrogate the treaty, or to submit to the continuance of conditions which have become intolerable to our National self-respect, and which represent a continuing wrong, especially to American citizens of Jewish faith.

"I still believe that in so serious a matter it would have been well first to endeavor to secure a decision by The Hague Court on the interpretation of the existing treaty. I am confident that such a decision would, of necessity, have been in our favor; and, if so, it would have enabled Russia to retire from an untenable position with good grace and no loss of self-respect—an object that should always be held in view in dealing with any foreign Nation with which at any time we have difficulties; while if the decision as to the interpretation of the clause in question had been adverse to us, we would then at once have abrogated the treaty, and have been clearly right in so doing. This was the position held by that distinguished diplomat, Mr. Oscar Strauss. But no movement had been made by either Nation looking towards any other method of settling the matter than the one actually adopted. Congress was confronted by the simple fact that unless the treaty were abrogated conditions would remain as they now are; and, under the circumstances, Congress acted wisely and properly in declaring for the abrogation.

"But this action was taken while the universal arbitration treaties are pending in the Senate. These treaties are avowedly championed as being of the kind we are to enter into with all Nations, and as supplanting the existing arbitration treaties which we have with almost all Nations, including Russia as well as England and France. These treaties, if ratified by the Senate unamended, will explicitly promise, will explicitly pledge the honor and good faith of the American Nation, to arbitrate precisely such questions as that which at this very moment we announce that we will not endeavor to arbitrate in the case of Russia. Under these circumstances, to ratify the general arbitration treaties would put the American people in an attitude of peculiarly contemptible hypocrisy, and would rightly expose us to the derision of all thinking mankind; for we should put ourselves in the position of making sweeping and insincere promises, impossible of performance, at the very time when, by our own actions, we showed that we would certainly not keep such promises, nor translate them into action. I believe that we can normally arbitrate the question of the interpretation of a treaty, even if only as the preliminary to adopting the very serious action of denouncing such treaty. But I do not believe that we can arbitrate, with the intention of abiding by the arbitration, such questions as treating all our citizens alike, without regard to their creed, in the matter of passports, or such questions as the Monroe Doctrine, the admission of Asiatic immigrants in mass, or the refusal by the States to pay bonds, or many other similar matters. In short, I do not believe that we can afford to arbitrate questions of vital interest and National honor, or questions of settled American governmental policy.

"Moreover, the attitude we are now taking as regards the abrogation of the Russian treaty shows beyond possibility of doubt that if we were so foolish or so timid as to agree, as an abstract matter, by general arbitration treaties, to arbitrate such questions, we should instantly repudiate the agreement whenever a concrete case arose in which any considerable number of our citizens took an active interest. Under such circumstances to proceed with the ratification of the general arbitration treaties unamended would be not merely a farce, but a farce played at the expense of our reputation for National good faith and sincerity. I believe most earnestly in peace, and in taking any step for arbitration which will genuinely tell in favor of peace; and I oppose these treaties because, if unamended, they would tell against peace and would put us as a Nation in an attitude of unctuous and odious hypocrisy. Both the Lodge and the Root amendments should be adopted; the treaties would then cease to be detrimental to our National honor and interest, and (holding in view the abrogation of the Russian treaty) would be relieved from the present taint of evident insincerity, although even then they

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A NEW PLAN IS ADVOCATED

Would Classify All Peoples for Improvement of Mental Aptitude and Genetic Efficiency of Humanity.

Library of Congress

Washington, Dec. 2[illegible]—The classification of all the peoples of the world in a great international census giving each person a number in a single world series, to the end that the human race may be improved by scientific marriage, was the plan advocated tonight by Assistant Secretary of Agriculture William M. Hayes in an address before the American Breeders' Association, one of the organizations making up the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

As a means of improving the heredity of the human family, Mr. Hayes proposed a classification of all human being, both as to mental aptitude and genetic efficiency. Based on such knowledge as this census would give he said, would develop a "racial religion" requiring the genetically efficient to produce families larger than the average and those less efficient to produce families smaller than the average.

The world numbers, said Mr. Hayes, would serve to join geneologies into one numerical system so that all relationships could be traded. Each person would have a number of percentage that could be averaged so as to give the genetic or family values of each person.

"Modern science and charity works against the law of the survival of the fittest," he declared, "by keeping alive many persons who inherit weaknesses, such as feeble mindedness or insanity. By paying attention to genetic efficiency, a race may make itself stronger for the economic tests among the races of the world.

"The proposed plan would somewhat divide people into classes, but the classification would be beneficent because it would be based on racial efficiency. The whole consideration of genetic facts will lead to less of divorce, greater temperance and better morals. Raising the average efficiency of the human race probably also would increase the number of geniuses and leaders."

Senator Burton, of Ohio, discussing the high cost of living problem declared that a rising standard of living, an increasing supply of gold, and a tardy development of agricultural resources, and obsolete and expensive methods of distribution of food and other products, were the factors contributing to the higher cost of living.

William Hard, of New York, in an address before the American Association for Labor Legislation, said that "unemployment is no longer a joke."

"The funny papers joke about tramps and hoboes are dying out," he said. "For every man who does not want work, there are scores who cannot get work. There are 100,000 more jobs in the industries of New York State in October than there are in January any year."

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS.

Chairman Underwood is Working on Tariff Bills.

Washington, Dec. 29.—With the House tariff programme practically decided upon, Representative Underwood, chairman of the Ways and Means committee, has gone to work behind closed doors intending to refrain from public discussion of tariff bills until after Congress reassembles next week. Chairman Underwood, still awaiting the full report of the tariff board on the woolen schedules, said today that he intended to make a careful study of the synopsis of that report until the voluminous printed copy of the full report is sent him from the government printing office.

As far as the steel schedule is concerned, Mr. Underwood said it virtually was complete and that little remained for the committee to do with it when it resumes work next week. The bill, which contemplates reductions from 20 to 40 per cent. on iron and steel products, probably will be introduced early in January and the House Democrats propose to pass it within a few days thereafter.

Then will come the chemical and sugar schedules, while the Ways and Means committee work out the wool bill.

SUIT AGAINST LABOR UNION

Government Enters A Prosecution Charging Restraint of Trade

Kansas City, Dec. 29th.—In what they believed to be the first prosecution instituted by the government under the Sherman anti-trust law against a labor union and charging restraint of trade, three officials of railway unions, whose men are on strike on the Harriman lines, today were ordered to appear in the Federal Court at Danville, Ill., on January 1st. The officials are: M. F. Ryan, general president of the Railway Car Men of America; J. A. Franklin, international president of the Brotherhood of Boiler Makers, and A. Hinzman, its vice president.

The summons was issued at the order of Federal Judge Wright and is approved by Edward D. White, chief of the United States Supreme Court. The original order was directed against the International Association of Machinists and its president, James O. Connell, of Washington, D. C., and was brought by the Illinois Central Railway. The heads of other striking unions also are mentioned in the summons.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 29.—Four children of August Mazzio burned to death tonight in a fire which destroyed Mazzio's home near here. The mother and one daughter were so seriously burned that it is feared they will die. The fire started in Mazzio's bakery in the rear of his home.

WIFE MURDERER PAYS THE PENALTY

L. M. Sandlin, Completely Unnerved, Meets Death in Electric Chair.

THE EXECUTION WAS RAPID

Third Shock of 1,800 Volts Through His Body Silenced Prisoner in Death—Remains Shipped to Wilmington

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 29.—The death penalty for wife murder, was paid in the electric chair in the State's prison here today by L. M. Sandlin, of Wilmington, and the body was turned over to his brother who carried it this afternoon via Wilmington to Onslow county for interment.

Sandlin was completely unnerved when brought into the death chamber at 10:23 o'clock. He was almost paralyzed with fear and kept wailing to those about him such expressions as "Oh, Lord, Lord have mercy, "This is something I never thought would happen in this world to me."

The attendants handled the poor fellow rapidly and had him securely strapped in the death chair in two minutes, when the signal was given and the first shock of 1,800 volts was turned on. The physicians found his heart still beating and there was a second shock at 10:37 and a third at 10:39 1-2. Physicians pronounced him dead at 10:42.

The physicians found that the heart was still beating, after the first shock today, and there was a second shock at 10:37 and a third at 10:39 1-2. The physicians pronounced him dead at 10:42, and the body was taken from the chair and delivered to his brother, as the representative of the Sandlin family. Drs. T. M. Jordan, R. S. Stevens and J. H. Harris were in charge of the electrocution, to see that the death sentence was fully executed.

Among those who witnessed the electrocution and signed the death certificate were G. W. Munford, C. F. Koone, G. B. Helen and Jailer J. M. Branch of the Wilmington jail.

Sandlin left no statement as to his crime. He told Jailer Branch, of Wilmington, just before he was led to the death chamber, that he murdered his wife, was deeply sorry for it, but that "all was over now."

It was on June 27, last, that Sandlin went to the boarding house run by his wife and urged reconciliation, Mrs. Sandlin declining to consider such a thing in view of repeated trouble. He seemed to become desperate, slapped her repeatedly and then drew his revolver, firing three shots into her body. She died almost instantly, and Sandlin turned his gun on himself, inflicting only a flesh wound on his head. A hard legal fight was made for him, principally on the ground of insanity. But this plea could not be established to the satisfaction of Governor Kitchin, when the effort was made for commutation.

WARRINGTON TOWED IN.

Torpedo Boat Considerably Damaged. No News of Schooner.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 29.—Looking more like she had been worsted in battle with 25 feet of her stern torn away, her crew exhausted but happy, the torpedo boat Warrington, which was rammed by a schooner 20 miles below Cape Hatteras at 1 o'clock yesterday morning, reached the navy yard at 6 o'clock tonight in tow of the tugs Mohawk and Wahneta. Lieut. Commander W. M. Hunt, commanding the Warrington, recently told of the collision. He said: "The collision occurred about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. Most of the men were asleep and they were thrown from their hammocks by the collision. I reached the deck in time to see the outlines of a schooner pulling away from her. I saw her shape in the darkness and she appeared to have all her sails set. She disappeared in the darkness.

"There were six men sleeping in the compartment aft and they were thrown out of their hammocks and into the water. In the next compartment there were 20 men asleep and they had to wade in water over their shoes to escape the incoming seas.

"Every man was at his post promptly. Gunner's Mate J. M. Stanley and Chief Gunner's Mate E. M. Bounder, were injured by the crash.

"The bulkheads worked perfectly and after we got our bearings we found that we would remain afloat for some time at least.

"When the Onondaga reached us the storm was still raging. We decided it would be best to take off the greater portion of our crew. The transfer from the Warrington to the Onondaga was made in life boats and was accomplished with some danger.

"We used oil in large quantities to calm the sea and this helped us a great deal.

"Twelve members of the crew, Lieut. R. W. Watson, Ensign J. B. Staley and myself remained on board the Warrington to work the pumps."

Lieut. Com. Hunt says Lieut. Matthewson and Chief Gunners' Mate J. G. Donnelly risked their lives to save several shipmates from being washed into the sea when a portion of the ship was torn away.

In watering plants a little sweet milk added will often benefit them.

INVESTIGATE THREE OTHERS

Special Congressional Committee Will Enquire Into Shipping Combine, Harvester Company and Money Trust.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The shipping combine, the international Harvester Company, and the so-called money trust, are to be investigated in the House at this session of Congress by one special committee, the creation of which will be recommended by the committee on rates.

Representative Henry, chairman of the committee, said today that a committee of seven members would, in the opening of a majority of the members of the rules committee, be large enough to conduct the joint inquiry.

Resolutions for separate inquiry into each of these three alleged combinations are now before the committee. The resolution asking for a joint Senate and House committee to inquire into the shipping trust was introduced by Representative Humphrey, of Washington. Representative Foster, of Illinois, has asked for a special committee to inquire into the International Harvester Company and Lindburg, of Wisconsin, petitions for an inquiry into the "money trust."

January 15th has been set as the date upon which hearings will be granted on the Humphrey shipping trust resolution and soon thereafter the rules committee will determine what action to recommend in all three investigations. Hearings already have been held on the Lindburg resolution. Mr. Foster's resolution will be taken up also and then the committee will recommend a joint inquiry.

This is in line with Democratic economy plan, the rules committee members believing that the three subjects can be taken up by a single committee, instead of by three separate committees, because all of them are allied, the purpose of the proposed inquiry, in each case being to determine whether or not there are violations of the Sherman anti-trust interstate commerce and National banking laws.

The plan is declared to have the support of virtually all the Democratic House leaders.

FAIL TO AGREE.

Matter of Fifteen Per Cent. Increase in Telegraphers' Salaries.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 29.—Failure to reach an agreement in the matter of the 15 per cent. increase demanded by the telegraphers of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway today caused both sides to concur in a proposition to submit the whole question to Martin A. Knapp, of the Commerce Court, and Charles P. Neill, labor commissioner, for mediation. A strike vote submitted to the Chesapeake & Ohio branch, Order of Railway Telegraphers, on December 14th, showed that the 800 members were unanimous in demanding an increase. A number of conferences have been held and while the company offered an increase of 5 per cent. it was rejected by the men. In an effort to adjust the matter the telegraphers scaled their demands from 15 to 12 1-2 per cent., which the company, in turn, rejected.

STEALS TO BUY GIFT.

Thirteen-Year-Old New York Boy Burglarizes His Own Home.

New York, Dec. 29.—How he wished to give a Christmas present to his teacher, but had no money, was told to Justice Olmsted, in the Children's Court, today, by Sidney Marks, 13 years old. He had found the way out of his dilemma by stealing a china tea set from his mother, Mrs. Fannie Marks. To protect himself, he planned and staged a robbery of her home on Christmas eve, and so well did he imitate a burglar that it took a detective until yesterday afternoon to brand the theft as an "inside job."

Sidney was arrested on suspicion after Mrs. Marks had found her home in a great state of disorder, with the contents of drawers scattered over the floors. The justice remanded him to the care of the Children's Society.

OUTLINES.

In the trial of the packers at Chicago yesterday direct evidence was produced that a packers' pool was in existence from 1893 to 1896——In an article in The Outlook Roosevelt declares that, in view of the abrogation of the Russian treaty, the general arbitration treaties would amount to arrant hypocrisy——Congress will appoint a special committee to enquire into the working of the shipping combine, International Harvester Company, and the so-called money trust——L. M. Sandlin, the Wilmington wife-murderer, paid the penalty for his crime yesterday in the electric chair at the State penitentiary——Russian troops have completely occupied the city of Tabriz, Persia, after a nine days' siege of the city. Much fighting is going on and there is considerable loss of life and property——For the improvement of labor conditions in this country a delegation of social workers appeared before President Taft yesterday and urged the establishing of a "labor commission". The commission would be a means of enquiring into and keeping up with the labor conditions of the country.

New York markets: Money on call firmer, 3 1-2 to 4 per cent., ruling rate 4, closing bid 3 3-4, offered at 3 1-8. Flour, steady. Wheat steady, No. 2 red 96 1-2 elevator, export basis, to arrive, and 98 f.o.b. afloat. Corn, steady, export, new 95 1-2 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin and turpentine quiet. Spot cotton closed quiet.

"One Touch of Nature."

Pretty story of James Mahoney's love and the "Heart of Nichette," topliner films at The Grand Theatre today. **

TABRIZ OCCUPIED BY THE RUSSIANS

Result of Nine Days Siege of City—U. S. Flag Shot Down.

CASUALTIES ON BOTH SIDES

Russians Lose From 100 to 200 Men and That of Fidas is Severe—Much Damage Is Done to Property

Tabriz, Dec. 29.—A nine-days seige of this city by the Russian troops has resulted in its complete occupation by the Russian forces, and the dispersal of the combatants belonging to the constitutional progressive party.

Numerous casualties were sustained by both sides, the Russians alone losing from 100 to 200 men while the losses of the Fidas were very severe although the number cannot be ascertained.

During the fighting an enormous amount of damage to property was done and the stars and stripes floating over the United States consulate was shot down by a Russian shell which, however, did no further damage to the consulate.

No casualties were suffered by the resident foreign population but many individuals suffered from a lack of provisions while they were closely confined to their houses during the prolonged street fighting.

The reports of atrocities said to have been committed by the troops on both sides are entirely unfounded, the mortality among the native noncombatants being far from large.

The Russians alone were the object of the operations of the Persians who displayed no resentment whatever against other foreigners.

A collision between Russian guard and Persian constitutionalists in the street during the night of December 20th, was the beginning of the disturbances. Two Persians were killed in this affair, after which the population showed great resentment and fighting became general throughout the city on the following morning.

The principal engagements during the seige took place in the neighborhood of the Russian consulate around the citadel known as "the ark" and at the Russian camp at Baghi Shemel. The Persians fired on the Russian camp with small mountain artillery from the top of "the ark." Russian soldiers in the camp replied by shelling the ark with shrapnel and driving the Persians from their position. One of the shells struck the American flag flying at the consulate which is situated near "the ark," and the staff fell to the roof but no further damage was done.

On the following day there was desperate fighting in the streets, the rifle and Maxim gun firing being continuous. That night the Persians made an attack on the Russian camp to which the Russians at first did not reply, awaiting the closer approach of the assailants. Finally the Russian troops opened fire repulsing the Persians with heavy loss.

The Russian positions both in the camp and at the Russian consulates, were at that time evidently in a prevarious state. All communication between the camp and the Russian consulate was completely cut off for several days. The first detachment of Russian reinforcements from Julfa, consisting of 800 men with four guns, arrived in the outskirts of the city, on the night of December 26th after making a forced march of 48 hours from their camp 18 miles from Tabriz.

Without establishing previous communication with the Russian camp of consulate the reinforcements shelled various quarters of the city indiscriminately, causing little damage but impressing the Persians with the hopelessness of continuing their resistance.

The citadel after being shelled from the camp, was evacuated by the Persians on the day following and the Russian troops occupied it, raising the Russian flag over the ark.

The Persians made a futile attack on the camp of the Russian reinforcements who responded with a bombardment of the northern quarter of the city until midnight. The whole distance was a complete surprise to everybody including the Russians who, it is believed, proposed to disarm the Persian Fidas without resistance. Two of the principal leaders of the Fridas surrendered at a village 15 miles to of Tabriz to Shuaed-Dowleh.

DENVER TO PUT IN BID.

Committee to Appear Before Democratic National Committee.

Denver, Dec. 29.—At a meeting of the Denver Convention League yesterday it was decided to send a committee immediately after New Year's to Washington, D. C., to appear before the Democratic National Committee, January 8th, and formally present an invitation that the Democratic National convention be held here next year.

It was decided that the league would guarantee to pay the necessary expenses of the convention, $51,000 having already been raised for that purpose.

Solid gold cuff links, scarf pins and tie clasp. Lockets and neck chains are some of my leaders. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler, No. 27 South Front street. de 3-tf.

URGE A LABOR COMMISSION

President Taft Entertains Delegation of Social Workers Who Are Interested in Better Labor Conditions

Washington, Dec. 29.—Using the McNamara case as an illustration of what might be expected again in this country if labor conditions are not improved, a delegation of social workers today urged President Taft to create a "labor commission."

Such a commission, the delegates told the President; should have powers co-extensive with those of the Inter-State Commerce Commission and should be able to compel testimony. It should investigate and make a preliminary report in six months, of the condition of labor in the structural iron trade in the last six years; "gauge the breakdown of our machinery of industrial government, the economic and social cost of strikes to employes, to workmen and to the public," and investigate rules and records of unions.

It should also examine the legal status of the labor union and study the practicability of "schemes of economic government such as the trade legislature in the cloak suit and skirt industry," and similar boards.

President Taft was greatly interested and promised to do all possible to create such a commission. It was said tonight that he might incorporate a suggestion for a labor commission in one of his post-holiday messages.

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of New York, read a petition to the President and Miss Jane Adams, of Chicago, and other prominent social workers went to the White House with them.

"A house divided against itself cannot stand," said Rabbi Wise. We have yet to solve the problems of Democracy in its industrial relationships and to solve them along Democratic lines.

In order to arrive at the worker's point of view, it is necessary only to review the long list of occupational diseases, the failure of both employers and the State to prevent them or mitigate their effects, the lack of employer's liability laws, the failure to provide adequate safeguards in dangerous vocations, the attacks upon the constitutionality of laws to shorten the hours of women and of workers in certain trades, the reluctance of legislatures to abolish child labor—it is necessary only to contrast this dead center of the social machinery with the speed at which it acts to prevent picketing and rioting during strikes.

"The working man sees the club of the officer, the bayonet of the militia directed against him in the defense of property and he believes that the hand of the law, strong in the protection of property, often drops listless whenever measures are proposed to lighten Labor's heavy burden.

"There is profound restlessness among large groups of laborers who feel that there are no organic ways open through which they can act collectively with respect to the things that most concern them—that they are thwarted when they get together for common strength and when, not as mutual benefit societies, but as aggregations of men, they set out to mind their business."

DIES FROM WOUNDS

J. H. Bowen Shot By Harrison Johnson---Latter in Jail

(Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 29.—This afternoon Harrison Johnson, white, of Grantham township, was brought to this city and placed in jail charged with killing J. H. Bowen, another white man from the same section.

Bowen and Johnson, both over 60 years old, came to Goldsboro last Saturday and got loaded up on blind tiger whiskey, and on the highway home Saturday evening, each riding in separate vehicles, they got into a dispute beyond Neuse river bridge, and got out of their vehicles in the road to "Fight it out" with the result that Johnson cut Bowen so severely that he was unable to help himself and was taken up by some one passing and brought back to the city where he was placed in the Goldsboro Hospital. Here he received all possible care but his wounds from the first were hopeless and death came to his relief last night. There is great sympathy for Mr. Bowen for it seems he took issue with Johnosn for cursing and abusing Mr. Thomas Sutton, J. P., a neighbor of his and a most excellent man, who had in a recent trial before him given judgment against Johnosn.

TURKS ANNIHILATE ITALIANS.

The Battle Lasted All Day and Night.

Washington, Dec. 29.—A 24-hour battle in which the Turkish troops defeated the Italian force, killing half of it in the rout, is described in an official message from Constantinople made public to the Turkish embassy tonight. The message was transmitted to the Imperial ministry of war at Constantinople by the commander of the Turkish troops from Tobruk, Tripoli, under the date of December 22nd. The report follows:

"We have attacked the fortified posts of the enemy. Notwithstanding the fire from the warships and fort batteries, we entered the fort and the garrison has been annihilated. Ammunition, provisions, war material and a quick firing gun have been carried into our camp. In its forward march, one of our wings cut off the retreat of the enemy who fled toward the coast. The battle lasted all day and night. Among the killed were three officers of the enemy. Our losses were seven killed and a few wounded. The Shiekh Meri, who, with his five sons came at the head of his tribe, is among the dead."

DIRECT EVIDENCE OF PACKERS' POOL

Henry Veeder: Secretary of Organization, on the Stand.

FIRST POSITIVE TESTIMONY

The Story of the Inside Workings of the Beef Trust in Existence From 1893 to 1896—First Positive Testimony

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Direct evidence that a packers' pool was in existence from 1893 to 1896 and that it, after suspending operations two years, resumed control of the country's fresh meat business, today was given in the packers trial by Henry Veeder, who admitted that he acted as secretary of the organization.

It was the first positive testimony offered regarding the existence of the old pool which, it is said, met under the name of "Postoffice Box 247" every Tuesday afternoon on the sixth floor of the Counselman building, Chicago, to fix the price of fresh beef, agree on the price to be paid for cattle and allot among its members the amount of meat to be shipped into the different centers of distribution.

Henry Veeder, who is a son of Albert A. Veeder, the attorney for the packers, followed his father on the stand as the second witness called by the government. His story of the inside workings of the old packers' pool was not half finished when court adjourned. He admitted many of the material allegations made by counsel for the government in their opening address to the jury. Between 1893 and 1896, the pool members were Armour & Company, Armour Packing Company, Cudahy & Company, G. H. Hammond & Company, St. Louis Dressed Beef and Provision Company, Morris & Company and Swift & Company, according to Henry Veeder. In 1898 Schwartschild and Suzlberger entered the combination, the witness said.

He described the meeting held every Tuesday at which, he said, reports of the past week's business of the members were received and the allotments for the next week's business was divided on a percentage basis.

The witness said the country was geographically divided into five sections, each known by a letter of the alphabet and that each of the members of the alleged pool was similarly designated to prevent publicity.

He testified that a record was kept of the amount of meat shipped to the different branch houses and weekly statements were sent to members showing the cost, average price received and the margin of profits on fresh beef in the different cities.

The witness gave a minute description of the intricate system used by the alleged pool in keeping its accounts and transmitting its business.

Attorneys for the defendants made an unsuccessful effort to prevent the witness from answering questions regarding the inside workings of the packers' pool but Judge Carpenter overruled every objection and directed the government to proceed with the presentation of its case.

Veeder described the geographical division of the country used by the packers as follows:

Territory A—All east of the Mississippi river and north of the Ohio river except Illinois.

Territory B—All south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers and east of the Mississippi river, except West Virginia.

Territory C—Chicago.

Territory D—St. Louis and all of Illinois except Cook county and all of Iowa except Council Bluffs.

He said this division has been in existence ever since he knew anything about the Packing business.

Mr. Veeder said Colorado was known as territory E. Other sections of the country were not included in the alphebetical list.

The attention of the witness was drawn by Special Counsel Butler to meetings of the old packers' pool held Tuesday afternoons at which it is alleged prices of fresh meat and the price to be paid for cattle were agreed upon.

Counsel for the defendants vigorously objected to the witness answering but were overruled by Judge Carpenter who allowed the government to proceed along this line, with the understanding that a connection would be shown between the old pool and the later combination. In reply to questions the witness said;

"Representatives of Armour & Company, Swift & Company, Morris & Company, G. H. Hammond & Company, Cudahy & Company, and others met in the Counselman building about every week between 1893 and 1896.

"The companies at these meetings were identified by letters. Armour & Company was known as A; Armour Packing Company, as B; Cudahy & Company, as C; G. H. Hammond & Company, as D; St. Louis Dressed Beef and Provision Company, as E; Morris & Company, as F, and Swift & Company, as G.

In 1898, Schwartschild and Sulzeberger joined the meeting and were designated by the letter G, and Swift & Company became known under the letter H.

The meetings were held on the sixth floor of the building. There were

nine or ten rooms. There were no signs on the doors. These were not held between May, 1896, and May, 1898, but were then resumed.

"I leased the meeting rooms under direction of either Gustavus S. Swift, D. C. Hartwell, of Swift & Company, or E. J. Martin, of Armour & Company," continued Mr. Veeder. "All the firms who attended paid their proportionate amount of the rent and other expenses, which was determined by the volume of business done in fresh beef in territory A."

In response to another question Mr. Veeder replied: "The offices in which these meetings were held adjoined the law office of my father, A. H. Vee-

"What were your duties as secretary of these meetings"?

"The preparation of statistics," was ply.

"What was done at those meetings of the packers"?

"I received two statements every Monday from each of the firms," Mr. Veeder replied; "one showed the total shipments in territory A, made by each firm for the week. The other statement gave the prices received for the fresh beef sold by each firm. I tabulated these figures into one statement for use by the packers at the Tuesday meetings."

The witness said he prepared a weekly statement showing the cost, average selling price and margin of profit on all beef sold at each point in territory A. These percentage statements, he said, were mailed to representatives of each firm Monday night in envelopes marked "Personal."

"Was there anything else on these envelopes except the name and address?"

"Yes, there was a return card in one corner with the name Henry Veeder, 240 LaSalle street. For a time we had a postoffice box number stamped on the envelopes, but that was abandoned as it proved unsatisfactory."

"What was the number of that post office box?"

"I do not remember."

"Was there any other statement regularly mailed to the members?"

"Yes. Every Tuesday after the weekly meeting I would send a letter to each member notifying them of their allotment in pounds to be shipped in territory A. During the current week."

"Can you give us the form of those letters?"

"They read about like this: 'Dear Sir:—Your shipments in territory A for the coming week will be ninety per cent. of your maximum allotment, or eight million pounds.'"

"Did each member receive a copy of what the other was to ship?"

"Yes."

At this point court adjourned until next Tuseday morning.

NEW FERTILIZER CONTRACTS

Farmers' Union Advisory Committee in Charlotte—Raise Supplies

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 29.—To make a new form of contract with fertilizer dealers so that the farmers will not have to sell cotton before November 1st in order to meet notes falling due for fertilizers, and so give the farmer a chance to hold his cotton longer if he desires, and to end the present necessity on many farmers to sell whether they want to or not, is the purpose of an important recommendation adopted today by the advisory council of the North Carolina Farmers' Union, now in session in this city.

The new plan will be far-reaching in its effects and its official adoption will mean a great deal to the farmer.

Under existing rules the farmers give notes for their fertilizers which are payable November 1st. As a result of this a large proportion of the farmers are compelled to rush to market with their cotton just before November 1st, in order to sell the came and procure money to pay the notes which they gave in the Spring for fertilizers. This makes it necessary for many farmers to sell before they are prepared to do so, and to put cotton on the market which they may really want to hold, for better prices. The present arrangement in the opinion of the advisory committee works a great hardship on the farmer at a critical time in the selling season, and hence the recommendation mentioned, which is aimed at the relief of this unwelcome situation.

The text of the recommendation, which will be the subject of discussion at a meeting in Raleigh January 11th, is as follows:

The advisory council of the Farmers' Union of North Carolina recommend that members of the Farmers' Union and all other farmers and friends of the organization make all accounts and notes for fertilizers, due one-half the first of January, and the other half the first of June each ensuing year. We invite the co-operation of fertilizer manufacturers and dealers in carrying out this reform, and for the promotion of this purpose, manufacturers and dealers are invited to meet with the officials of the Farmers' Union in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at Raleigh on Thursday, January 11th, 1912, at 1 o'clock P. M.

The committee has been in session in this city for two days and has a large number of important matters up for debate.

Another important resolution adopted by the advisory committee today is that the farmers shall be called upon and urged to plant at least one acre of food products for every acre of cotton planted the Spring and Summer.

"This we believe," said a member of the advisory committee today, "will be one means of reducing the acreage of cotton."

The committee fully realizes the importance of reducing the cotton acreage next Spring, and with this end in view the members are putting forth their best efforts in devising ways and suggesting methods to bring about the results wanted. The two suggestions and recommendations adopted today are most practical in theid intent and will no doubt be felt all over the State when the estimates of the acreage for the new season begins to come in.

Pittsburg, Dec. 28.—City Council tomorrow will adopt a resolution asking the Secretary of the Navy to send the fighting mast of the battleship Maine, sunk in Havana harbor, to Pittsburg to form part of a monument to the late Lieutenant Friend W. Jenkins, of this city, who lost his life when the ship met with disaster. The resolution will carry with it an appropriation sufficient to bring the mast here.

NORFOLK PAPERS COMBINE.

Norfolk Landmark Will be Merged With The Virginian-Pilot.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 29.—Under the caption "Virginian-Pilot and The Norfolk Landmark Merger," the latter paper will say tomorrow, editorially:

"On January 1st the good will and business of The Norfolk Landmark will be merged with that of The Virginian-Pilot. The two papers, as one publication, will appear under the name of 'The Virginian-Pilot,' with a notation 'The Norfolk Landmark,' published by The Virginian-Pilot Publishing Company. The present owners of this paper will acquire a stock holding interest in that company.

"This step was not taken hastily, or without mature consideration. An aggressive and liberal policy of expenditure by The Norfolk Landmark had demonstrated that Norfolk could not, at least for the present, support two morning papers, which, in the volume and accuracy of the news and the manner and promptness of its service, would prove worthy of the city.

"When the owners of The Virginian-Pilot were approached, it was found that they fully shared this opinion, but their attachment to the interests of the city and its people, and the commanding position which they had established for their paper in this community was such that they desired to maintain the same, and accordingly a consolidation of interests suggested by this paper has been, after serious deliberation, successfully concluded. In the conferences held between the respective owners, as much thought and consideration was given to the interests of Norfolk and the patrons of its morning papers as to the financial interests of the owners, nad it was concluded that the real welfare of Norfolk and its citizens could best be served by one morning paper that would combine the work of both in a united effort to upbuild and promote the best traditions and interest of Norfolk. The Norfolk Landmark wishes to acknawledge gratefully the past loyal and kindly support of its friends, both readers and advertisers, and to assure them that no reason exists why these relations, so helpful and encouragaing, should not continue.

"The best interests alike of a newspaper and of the community in which it exists and exercises its influence are never at odds, but ever identical.

"It is the hope and belief of The Norfolk Landmark that the enlarged circulation and wider influence resulting from this union, effectively wielded in the furtherance of the growth and in the achievement of the highest ambitions of Norfolk, will prove both more helpful and beneficial to the city than could ever be the result of divided effort."

ATTACKS SUPREME COURT.

LaFollette is Nearing End of His Speech-Making Trip in Ohio.

Dayton, Ohio, Dec. 29.—Nearing the end of his speech-making trip of Ohio, preaching the doctrine of Progressive Republicanism, Senator R. M. LaFollette, of Wisconsin, traveled the western part of the State today, closing his day with a meeting in Memorial Hall, where he reiterated his assertion, made at North Baltimore today, that the Supreme Court of the United States had assumed legislative powers never granted by the Constitution in its ruling on the Sherman anti-trust law.

At North Baltimore, where an abandoned tabernacle was used for meeting, the sign "Get Right with God" was still strung across the end of the building, above and back of the Senator.

Pointing to this sign, he read it aloud and paraphrased it by saying: "Get right with your State and get right with your country."

Senator LaFollette again tonight repeated his admonition of the afternoon urging the citizens of Dayton and Montgomery county to "understand the Progressive movement by getting right with their State and country."

Wisconsin and the struggle that was waged to obtain progressive Republican government here was taken up by Senator LaFollette at the request of local progressives. After reciting what many of the laws in his State required, he said that what these progressive laws have done for Wisconsin the progressive Republican party wants to apply to National government.

The name of W. J. Bryan was mentioned by Senator LaFollette and he was interrupted by applause. "I am not ashamed to pause while you pay tribute to Mr. Bryan. He is a highly honorable man. I feel under obligations to Col. Bryan."

The Senator then told of summoning Mr. Bryan to help him while Governor of Wisconsin to secure passage of the progressive rate law in that State, which was threatened in the Legislature by the apathy of some Democratic members.

Senator LaFollette leaves here tomorrow morning for Cincinnati where the trip through Ohio will end.

S. C. LEGISLATURE MEETS JAN. 9.

Legislation, Elections and Special Messages Centers of Interest.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 29.—January 9th, the second Tuesday in the month, the General Assembly of South Carolina will assemble for its annual session in the State house at Columbia. The 1912 session of the Legislature promises to be one of the most interesting in years, both from the various matters to come before the body in the way of legislation, and from the unusual features whicm are already indicating their appearance. Legislation, elections and special messages are the three terms which have been used of late to indicate the centers of interesst for the coming session.

The personnel of the General Assembly for the coming session will be the same as at the session of 1911. At the elections held throughout the State in 1910, a large number of the seats in both the House and the Senate were filled with new representatives from the various counties. The House is newly elected every two years, and half of the Senators retire each two years. The coming session will be the last for probably a number of members of both branches of the Legislature.

TWO DWELLINGS BURNED.

One Near Monroe Wednesday Night and Another Yesterday.

Monroe, N. C., Dec. 29.—The residence occupied by Mr. W. B. Brown, an insurance man here, was badly burned on the roof yesterday, caused from a defective flue. The house belonged to Mr. F. B. Ashcraft. Promptness on the part of the fire company prevented a destructive fire on South Hayne street where the house is located.

The dwelling and contents of Mr. Frank Doster in the extreme western portion of Monroe township was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. The dwelling was two stories and a good one. The loss is about $3,000 and the insurance was $400. The fire originated in the upper ceiling upstairs.

Albert Lea, Minn., Dec. 29.—Three young women who reside near Lanesboro, Minn., claim the woman championship corn husking honors of the United States. The young women are the Misses Lizzie, Mamie and Roxie Kehoe, who in a recent contest husked in five and one-half days 1,790 bushels, hauling each load of corn one-half mile. The average day for each girl was a little more than 108 bushels.

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DOG TRIED TO SAVE BABY.

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Cincinnati, O., Dec. 29.—The pet dog of Alfred Hesterburg, of the Queen City Brass & Iron Works, beheld his little mistress, Lillie Hesterburg, four years old, a mass of flames, and although the dog raised such a commotion that a maid rushed to the rescue.

The child had found a box of matches and ignited her clothing. The maid had gone to the floor below, and locked the door on the outside. The dog's frantic barking brought her back in haste, but the baby's injuries were so severe that she died.

Wadesboro, N. C., Dec. 29.—About one year ago, it will be remembered that two white boys were mysteriously wounded near Bennettsville, S. C. It was learned a few days ago that a negro detective employed to work up the case, has secured a confession from another negro, who has been under suspicion for some time. The negro says that he ordered the boys to leave and one of them threatened to shoot him. He then took their gun and shot both the boys.

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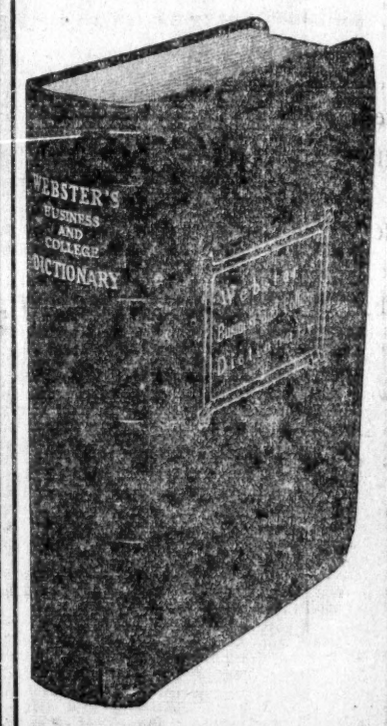

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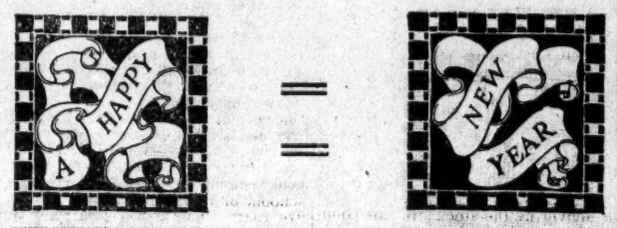

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THE NEWS AT WHITEVILLE, N. C.

Wilmington Couple Weds—Grainger and Marlowe Case Attracts Interest—Hearings in "Judge" Maxwell's Court.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 29.—Yesterday afternoon Miss Mamie L. Williams, a daughter of Mrs. C. E. Williams, and Mr. Hanke C. Bornemann, a son of Mr. J. C. Bornemann, both of Wilmington, came up to Whiteville on the afternoon train from Wilmington and were married in the Register of Deeds' office here by "Judge" J. H. Maxwell.

The young couple seemed anxious to have the ceremony performed at once, but stated to your correspondent that "it was not exactly a runaway marriage." The ceremony was witnessed by a large crowd of Whiteville people who were on the streets when the couple rode up. They will not return to Wilmington until Tuesday, but will visit at the home of Mr. E. Nealy, a kinsman of the groom.

Miss Rena Hayes and Mr. Henry C. Gadby, of Vineland, were married this week by Rev. J. J. Adams.

For several months Robert Grainger and Missie Marlowe, two young white people, have been confined in jail here, both sentenced to the penitentiary for the murder of Bud Nobles at Grists, the former for 30 years and the latter for 15 years. Their attorneys' appealed to the Supreme Court and after a long delay that tribunal, just before Christmas, rendered its decisions sustaining the verdict. Grainger received the news with stoical indifference, and did not seem to care much, but the hopelessness of her case very much affected Missie Marlowe and for the first time since her arrest and imprisonment she broke down and wept. Their attorneys, it is said, will apply for a re-hearing and if this is denied there is nothing left but to begin serving their sentence in the penitentiary. It is thought that a pardon will be granted the young woman as she was the victim of an outburst of popular sentiment for a more rigid enforcement of the law. She was not 18 years of age at the time of the killing of Bud Nobles and was so ignorant as to not know a letter, and from a child was surrounded by bad and immoral associates. She has borne her confinement in jail with uncomplaining meekness. She is the sole occupant of the woman's prison, a well lighted, comfortable room with steam heat and modern conveniences, overlooking the street, and can always be seen at the window looking through the bars. This is her only diversion as she is unable to read. Robert Grainger is a young man who belongs to a splendid family in South Carolina, but seems to have led a wild and dissipated life. The fate of both will soon be sealed.

Christmas week a suit was brought before Magistrate J. H. Maxwell on a note of $10 for one share of that Mexican mining stock that C. E. James sold to colored people over Columbus and other counties, taking their notes payable December 1st, 1911, for same but delivering the stock. In this county alone $1,500 of this Mexican mining stock was sold to negroes. James was careful to select negroes who were land owners and from whom he could collect money through suits. It was one of these notes that was sued for before "Judge" Maxwell, who rendered a verdict against the defendant also attaching him with costs. Mr. I. B. Tucker represented the plaintiff and Mr. Walter H. Powell the defendant. Mr. Powell will appeal from "Judge" Maxwell's decision.

Capt. and Mrs. J. T. Davis, of Southport, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Memory.

Misses Leila, Fay and Maude Memory, of Buie's Creek, James Sprunt and Meredith, spent the past week with their parents here.——Dr. Price Williamson, of the Atlanta Dental College, has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williamson.

Mrs. Helen Gantt Mims has returned to Whiteville after spending the holidays in Sumter.

Mr. J. R. Maxwell came home from Florida for Christmas. He returned yesterday and carried his family back with him. Mr. Maxwell is interested in a 15,000-acre turpentine farm on Indian river, Fla.

Miss Margaret Ricks, one of the faculty of St. Mary's College at Raleigh, is the guest of Mrs. W. G. Burkhead.——Mr. J. A. Maultsby, of Campton, Fla., has been visiting here with his family at the home of his brother, Capt. J. D. Maultsby.——Miss Gladys Thompson is at home from Elizabeth College and has har as her guests during the holidays Misses Mary and Agnes Council, of Wananish.——Miss Annie Lewis is at home from Peace Institute, Raleigh.——Miss Sarah Burkhead, of the Attorney General's office, Raleigh, is among the many Whiteville visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Sears, who left Whiteville several months ago moving to Darlington, have decided that there is no place like Columbus county, and have returned here to reside permanently.

A New Year Dance is being planned here to be given on Monday evening.

HESTER'S STATEMENT

Showing Total Visible Supply Cotton for the Week

New Orleans, Dec. 29.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton issued today shows the total visible to be 5,565,547 against 5,245,558 last week, and 5,298,979 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 4,784,547, against 4,615,558 last week and 4,285,978 last year, and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 781,000 against 730,000 last week and 1,013,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply of cotton as above there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 2,553,000 against 2,715,000 last yeafr; in Egypt 237,000 against 292,000 last year; in India 266,000 against 333,000 last year, and in the United States 2,510,000 against 1,959,000 last year.

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RALEIGH'S BIG CELEBRATION

Railroad Banquet at Yarborough Hotel Thursday of Next Week—State Text Book Depository—Death of T. P. Jerman.

(Specal Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 29.—The program is arranged for the big railroad celebration by the commercial organizations of Raleigh in honor of E. B., and C. B. Barbee, Jno. A. Mills and E. C. Duncan, who have engineered railroad developments that have greatly extended the commercial scope of the city, and this long anticipated affair is to be in the Yarborough Hotel on Thursday night of next week.

Hon. R. W. Winston is to be the toastmaster. Some of the most notable responses are to be: "North Carolina and its Capital City," by Governor W. W. Kitchin; "How to Build a Local Railroad," Jno. A. Mills, builder of the Raleigh & Southport and Elkin & Alleghany; "A New Link Between Raleigh and the Coast," by C. B. Barbee, builder of the Raleigh & Pamlico Sound, now part of the Norfolk Southern; "The Wonderful Results of the New Link," by E. B. Barbee, one of the co-builders; "The Old Mullet Still in the Swim," ex-Governor Chas. B. Aycock; "The Norfolk Southern From the East Via the Capital City to the West", Col. W. B. Rodman, general counsel for the Norfolk Southern; "Forging Railway Links Into a Chain," by E. C. Duncan, promoter of the proposed Raleigh-Charlotte extension of the Norfolk Southern. Among the others who will respond to appropriate toasts are James H. Pou, counsel of the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk & Western; A. P. Thom, of the Southern; Leigh R. Watts, Seaboard Air Line; H. H. Carr, for electric interests; Henry A. Page, Leonard Tufts, Joseph G. Brown, and others.

This community was deeply grieved today to learn of the death of T. P. Jerman, a prominent business man of Raleigh, who has been in declining health for several months. He was manager of the Royal & Borden Furniture Co., here and in the past 20 years of residence here was with the Citizens' National Bank; internal revenue office; and the State auditor's office. For 12 or 15 years he had been the active head of the Royal & Borden Furniture business here. He was a natve of Ridgeway, N. C., and married Miss Cornelia Petty, daughter of C. W. Petty, of Carthage, who survives him with one son. He is a brother of B. S. Jerman, president of the Commercial & Farmers' Bank. The funeral will be held here Saturday morning.

The North Carolina Book Depository Co., of Raleigh, was chartered today, the principal stock being owned by the Alfred Williams Co., well known book dealers of this city, for the special purpose of being the central depository for the distribution of the text books for the public schools recently adopted by the State textbook commission for use in the schools of this State during the next five years. This move is carrying out the general plan of those States having the periodical adoption of text books for State-wide use in providing the central depository feature with books consigned to local dealers. All the book publishers have their dealings direct with the central depository and this institution supplies the local dealers on erms that reduce the cost of handling to the minimum and gets right into the locality complete stocks of the books without the local dealer having to invest a large amount in such stock. Although the actual charter for the new corporation was only filed today, the preliminary work and adjustment has been under way some weeks with a view to having the depositories all over the State as nearly in workng order as possible by the new year.

ROBBERIES AT MEBANE

Postoffice and Mercantile Houses Entered—Dividends—A Bankruptcy

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 29.—Reports brought here this morning from Mebane are to the effect that a daring attempt to rob the postoffice and several mercantile stores at that place was made last night by a band of three, supposedly three strange parties, who were seen to get o.. an evening train yesterday.

At the postoffice all money and stamps had been removed to the residence of Postmaster White, though the mails were rifled and several Christmas packages which had not been called for were carried off. Just how much was secured is not known, but had the money and stamps been left in the office the loss would have exceeded $1,000. The store of the Mebane Trade Company was also entered and several dollars taken from the cash drawer, together with selections from the stock. On the same night several burglaries have been reported at Burlington, 10 miles west of Mebane, and it is believed all are to be laid at the door of the three strange men. Postoffice inspectors are attempting to stop the band.

A message received here last night brought the sad intelligence of the death yesterday at Morganton of Mrs. Hannah M. Scales, sister of Rev T. J. Ogburn, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, and of N. S. Ogburn, Monroe; W. C. Ogburn, Wadesboro; A. R. Ogburn, Asheville, and Mrs. A. C. Brittain, Summerfield. The body was brought here this morning and carried to Flat Rock church, 15 miles north of the city, where funeral services were held.

The culmination of a year's work will be marked Tuesday by the distribution of $28,000 in dividends among its stockholders by three Greensboro banks, the American Exchange National; the Greensboro Loan & Trust and Greensboro National, the directors of each yesterday declaring semi-annual dividends of 4 per cent. on a total capitalization of $700,000.

An involuntary petition was filed in United States District Court yesterday afternoon by attorneys for Reinehart, Meyers & Company, the Virginia Shoe Company and the W. H. Miles Shoe Company, praying the court to adjuge R. A. Cardwell, B. R. Wall and Henry Webster, trading under the firm name of Wall & Cardwell, of Madison, Rockingham county, bankrupt. The answer in the case was made returnable January 5th before Judge Boyd, and in the meantime, F. B. Kemp, of Madison, is made temporary receiver. A restraining order was also granted to prevent the sheriff of Rockingham county from selling the property of the firm under the hammer to satisfy a judgment obtained in the State courts.

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Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	6:55 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p m	2:30 a m

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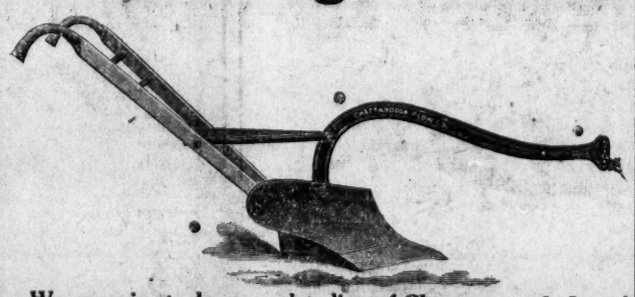

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No. 90, ! 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 13:35 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, * 5:45 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *11:49 P. M.
No. 64, ! 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ! 6:50 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (!) Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P. M.
No. 59, ! 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, !10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, * 9:45 A. M.
No. 57, ! 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ! 8:30 A. M.

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Saturday, December 30, 1911.

If you can't quit smoking during the New Year, you might manage to cut out some of your pipe dreams.

Marriage is bliss or marriage is blister, according to the way a couple acts after they begin to fight the battles of life.

As the old year goes out it finds New Year's advice free as usual. Do the best you can during the new year which begins next Monday.

The meat packers still declare they are not guilty. That shows that some people simply will not give in till they see all the evidence.

The Chester (Pa.) Republican demands that "the police should be taken out of politics." How about taking politics out of the police?

Col. Roosevelt has caused quite a row over the peace banquet to be held in New York tonight. That is almost as bad as startng a fight at a funeral.

Russia objects to being handed a lemon by the United States, but her treatment of Persia shows that she deserved it just as Sulzer had prepared the lemon.

One thing which has increased the cost of living is that most people love the best and buy it in spite of what it costs. Everybody wants the choice cuts and the best brands.

It is announced that "Senator La-Follette is holding his own in Ohio." So long as he holds his own he won't disturb President Taft. When he gets to holding President Taft's there will be trouble.

It is said a South Carolinian was recently shot by mistake. Little mistakes like that will happen now and then in South Carolina, but it is not quite as bad as shooting a fellow on purpose.

Yeggmen seem to have found something soft in "blowing" postal savings banks in rural towns. Uncle Sam will find that a considerable amount of his banking expenses will be his losses in isolated places where he has no deposit vaults for the safe keeping of his money. At the same time Uncle Sam will have to make all deposits good out of the pockets of the people.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch inquires if William Jennings Bryan will dominate the next National Democratic conventon. No man ought to be allowed to dominate the convention. The convention ought to dominate the man. At the same time it will be a race between Bryan, Wilson, Harmon, Clark, Underwood and others as to which will dominate the delegates. The delegates will be politicians and they will let the best politician dominate them.

President Taft has let it be known that he seriously objects to the work of the trick photographers who have reaped a good harvest from Washington visitors by taking their photographs with President Taft smiling and shaking hands with them as if he were perfectly delighted to meet them. Of course, the photographers work the President into the picture just as they do in taking a fellow's picture as if he were soaring high in an aeroplane, or the picture of a sport at the seashore surrounded by a bevy of pretty water nymphs. Of course, it must worry President Taft to be represented as cordially greeting some mutt or guy he never saw, but he has never had half the trouble of a North Carolinian who was the main guy in a Wrightsville Beach bathing scene last Summer. He found it impossible to explain to his wife till he had to spend $50 in bringing her to the beach to let her see how the trick was worked.

BIG PROGRESS IN WILMINGTON

The headline above is used by the esteemed Raleigh News and Observer in an editorial in which note is taken of the conspicuous evidences of progress in Wilmington. We should say that more than a million dollars in improvements, industries and projects will be found to be the footing for Wilmington at this time, and in noting a few of them the News and Observer remarks:

"Wilmington is getting ready" to make the year 1912 a red letter year. In the past five years it has put eight millions of dollars in new buildings, and the Dispatch says that the Tide Water Power Company will make some giant improvement for the new year, involving a large sum of money, and that the letting of the contract for the bridge to connect the counties of Pender and New Hanover and the $400,000 now being spent in permanent city improvements are the biggest evidences of the growth that is going on in Wilmington at the present time. It is fighting to win first place in population among North Carolina cities, and, with the completion of the Panama Canal and the increase of water transportation, it is going to give Charlotte a hard fight for leadership."

The kind words of our Raleigh contemporary will meet with appreciation in Wilmington. Such comments enable us to more clearly appreciate the real progress that Wilmington is making. With gratifying progress on her 30-foot channel, a new railroad just completed to Southport, and the canalizing of the Cape Fear river, with a depth of 8 feet for 110 miles to Fayetteville, to be completed in two years, the factors for greater progress here are being emphasized on a scale that we do not seem to fully realize.

The significance of the expenditure of $125,000 by the Tidewater Power Company will be more appreciated when its enterprises are completed. In the first place, such an expenditure in betterments plainly bespeaks the enterprise and success of a home corporation which is one of this city's greatest and most valuable institutions. The progress of the Tidewater Power Company has been constant, and every time it has taken a progressive step it has spelled progress for Wilmington. It has made Wilmington a great Summer resort, and it must be mentioned that, probably the greatest suburban development to be witnessed in the South has been one of the results of the splendid street and trolley line system of that company. Double-tracking the trolley line to Winter Park Gardens means that the growth of that suburban town has demanded and warranted it, and it also means a continued and larger development that nothing can stay. The improvement of the electric line from the city to Wrightsville Sound, together with other betterments, indicates that Wrightsville Beach comes in for its share of attention and progress.

However, there is no more important feature of the Tidewater Company's latest stroke of enterprise than the doubling of its electric power plant. The demands upon its already well-equipped plant have constantly increased, and while present business is pretty well taken care of, the company sees more demand ahead. It sees that Wilmington is going ahead and it is preparing for the inevitable Special significance must be attached to the enlargement of the electric power plant for the reason that it is specially designed to contract power to manufacturing plants, large and small. This will be a great advantage to manufacturing interests and industrial possibilities, and there can be no doubt that this forward step by the Tidewater Power Company will prove of far-reaching importance to Wilmington.

We may envy the piedmont cities for their potentialities in the advantage they have of power transmitted from the great power plants on the Catawba, the Broad and the Yadkin rivers, but it is yet a disputed point as to which is the more economical—coal derived electricity or hydro-produced electricity. Some experts contend for coal and others for water, but there isn't any very great difference in advantage for either, owing to the immense capital it requires to develop the great river water powers and build and maintain costly transmission lines. While the piedmont cities have their great waterpower plants, Wilmington will have a great steam power plant that will demonstrate the economy of electric power to take the place of the expensive small steam plants used by many industrial establishments.

BIG RAILROAD RUMORS.

The end of 1911 finds North Carolina building railroads and springing all sorts of railroad rumors for 1912. When the Panama canal is completed we will witness more railroad building to South Atlantic ports than was ever known in their history, and, as heretofore, the Star warns Wilmington to keep its eyes open to the main chance. We should keep in close touch with all these railroad rumors and be prepared to present the claims of this port to all lines seeking an ocean gateway. Don't let us read about rumors and do nothing about them, but follow up all of them and see that Wilmington does not get left.

Additional rumors are rife about the plans of the Norfolk Southern, and one of them is in connection with the Trans-Continental project of Col. S. A. Jones. Several publications have been made concerning the rumored co-operation between the Norfolk Southern and the Trans-Continental, and they move the Charlotte Chronicle of Thursday to remark:

"The cat is out of the bag. The wind has been taken out of our editorial sails. The Chronicle, in fact had knowledge a month ago that Mr. Duncan's railroad interests covered the Trans-Continental, Col. S. A. Jones' great development, and that it would be the important Western link. The road will be built from Charlotte to Sevierville, where it will connect with the road already in operation to Knoxville. There is much behind this western development that cannot be published until Mr. Duncan himself gives out the word, but it is sufficient to say that the Norfolk Southern plans are for the most comprehensive railroad development the State has ever known. It will bring us into direct connection with Cincinnati and the Western markets and with the coal fields and in turn the road will have three ports—Norfolk, Cape Lookout and Southport. There are bigger things behind the Norfolk Southern than has yet been dreamed of."

The Chronicle seems to be on the inside about the facts concerning this latest venture, and it seems to speak with authority, although our contemporary won't tell it all till Mr. Duncan is ready to let it fly. The rumors are surely interesting, and they are more so since the Cape Fear ocean gateway figures in them. The Raleigh News and Observer of yesterday has this to say in this connection:

"There has been much speculation as to the ultimate southern or western destination of the Norfolk Southern Railway, which is to be built on from Raleigh to Charlotte. 'After it reaches Charlotte—what?' has been on every tongue. There has been speculation that it would obtain the Trans-Continental road and carry out the great plans projected by Col. S. A. Jones. Others have thought that a line would be built from Concord to connect with the Clinchfield road. Both are possible, but the most authentic news is that it is to be built from Charlotte to Norfolk, thus giving another line through North Carolina from Atlanta. This will put this road in touch with Atlanta, the real gateway of the South and give it a portion of the big business originating in that city and going to it and through it."

That there is something in the wind concerning the rumored Trans-Continental and Norfolk Southern deal is manifest, because the Raleigh Times of Thursday said in an editorial:

"The people of the State have learned to expect that something is going to be done whenever they see reliable information that Mr. E. C. Duncan is active on any railroad proposition. The news carried in The Times yesterday that Mr. Duncan had gone to New York to attend a meeting of the directors of the Trans-Continental Construction Company, which owns the South Atlantic Trans-Continental Railroad Company, was especially good news. There s no use to go into speculation about any of Mr. Duncan's plans before they are announced. He has kept the State pretty busy for some weeks talking about what has already been done, without having to speculate as to what he has in mind. But the fact that Mr. Duncan is interested in this railroad, which is building from Knoxville, Tenn., to Rutherfordton, N. C., leads to the belief that something is going to be done in the way of railway construction in that section."

OUR PORT POSSIBILITIES.

In another article we reproduce some editorial references to railroad rumors that ought to specially interest Wilmington since they involve a Western connection for the port. Any additional export business which this port is to get must come from Western railroads and in such lines there also is a great possibility for import traffic. Wilmington ought to be the port of entry for Chattanooga, Memphis, Nashville, Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago, and other great cities, and the only thing that prevents it is lack of railroads giving us direct traffic communication and arrangements with those cities.

Houston, Texas, is the port of entry for as far away city as Denver, Colo., yet Houston is a port only by reason of her ship canal. Just as water rates into Houston make that inland port available for Denver and other Western cities within a certain traffic zone, just so can Wilmington as an ocean gateway be the natural port for the export and import business of several States and many great interior cities. The Cape Fear gateway is the nearest Atlantic outlet for Chicago and Minneapolis, and there is no telling what an immense traffic could be built up with them though the port of Wilmington. We ought to export grain, flour, meats, and machnery from Wimington, and there also are great possibilities for import business when it is taken into consideration that Chicago is the second biggest city in America, while no account is taken of the other great cities which ought to do business though this port.

A Western connection by way of the Trans-Continental and Norfolk Southern would put Wilmington in touch with several railroad systems, including the Harriman and Hill lines. Such a connection would make Wilmington and Southport a coal port, both as to coaling steamers and exporting coal. That would add tremendously to Wilmington's manufacturing adaptabilities, for it would cheapen our coal supply and make it possible for Wilmington to get power as cheaply as the manufacturing cities in touch with the hydro-electric plants of the piedmont country.

Don't let us lose any opportunities by underestimating the importanre of any railroad rumor or project. Every line of railroad that is built benefits some port in this country, and if we don't look out for this port others on the South Atlantic will get several laps ahead of us before we know it.

It is said women live up to their religion. Men live down what little they have.

Some Oklahoma statistician claims that his State raised more mules this year than any other State. Oklahoma is thus prepared to kick out of the traces if Woodrow Wilson is not nominated for President.

Some of the friends of President Taft fear that Col. Roosevelt is scheming to get the Republican nomination for President. Why should the Colonel want to bother with another nomination Anyhow, it would not be so easy for him to get up a big campaign fund. Harriman is dead.

What next? Some of the Northern States are complaining that the inferior Federal courts interfere with State matters in an unreasonable way. The average Federal court judge used to think he was greater than a State, but we thought they had quit acting that way since they found out how unpopular it was.

The National Democratic Committee will meet in Washington January 8th, to name a date for the National convention which is to nominate the party's candidate for President. The principle trouble the committee will have will be in fighting shy of the Jonahs who get busy just as soon as a campaign opens.

CURRENT COMMENT.

A few years work strange changes Not long ago the United States, by the exercise of friendly mediation, brought an end to the great Russo-Japanese war. Both parties to that contest welcomed peace and were grateful to America. Now they are negotiating an alliance of the closet nature and their efforts are to be directed against the nation that so recently stood as their best friend.—Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

The record of railroad building in the South during 1911, as compiled by the Manufacturers' Record, and published elsewhere in today's paper, will give the reader a fair idea of the unusual activity in this respect in the South at present. North Carolina's record is one to be proud of, but the record for 1912 will be even better. During the coming year Charlotte will be blessed by connection not only with the interurban, but with the Norfolk Southern.—Charlotte News.

Andrew McConnell is an "electric healer" at Ocean Grove, Pa. He does a little preaching as a side issue, but his main stunt is tractment by personal magnetism for every ill to which human flesh is heir. Recently McConnell got the idea that his wife was "short-circuiting" or "grounding" his thought waves, so that they did not produce the desired results. It was noted, as a matter of fact, that his patients were losing faith in him and going to the doctors for physic. In his anger, therefore, McConnell got a pistol and shot his wife, to make her quit "grounding" his circuit. Luckily his aim was poor and the woman will get well, but the "healer" will be given time in the penitentiary to figure out a system that cannot be "grounded."—Savannah News.

That was a great meeting of the Greater Charlotte Club last night Kuester was in his glory and his glory is the welfare of Charlotte. He made a speech and a very good speech that fairly cracked at every point; a speech for the organization of which he is the effective head and for Charlotte of which by virtue of his office he is the chief booster. He made five points that should be emphasized: Don't try to see how much you can get out of it, but how much you can put into it, for thereby you will get more out of it; though a small city, there's no reason why we should not have big ideas and do big things; it is not the size of the town but the size of the men in the town that make a great city; to get a thing done right, do it yourself; hustle for the city and thereby hustle for yourself.—Charlotte Observer.

The Taft Tariff Board has failed to justify its own existence. After a year of labor, its report leaves us just where we were when the Underwood committee began its work last January. The principal thing it has accomplished is delay. Revision of the tariff by commission appears to be another iridescent dream. The Constitution intrusts the House of Representatives with the framing of revenue legislation, and, far as we have gone astray in the mazes of "protection," the only constitutional warrant for levying a tariff is to raise revenue. Framing tariff bills is a function of the House, and the House is right in refusing to surrender its prerogatives to any commission. The Taft board does not point out just what reductions are necessary to put the wool and woolens tariff on an equitable basis. Congress must work that out for itself. The one duty proposed for the board is the gathering of accurate information. Tons of such statistics and reports were available when Payne and Aldrich undertook the revision of the Dingley bill. But then this information that is now considered so valuable was calmy suppressed. Insurgents and Democrats had to fight for weeks to get even a handful of the documents. Republicans hooted at the idea of a tariff board when they came to revise the schedules. They take refuge behind it now because they hope it will hamper the Democrats. Doubtless the Democrats will be denounced for its abolition, but theycan not expect commendation from their opponents or any from those who are using every effort to prevent or delay any reduction in the tariff.—Baltimore Sun.

Yesterday's Florence Times says: "Messrs. A. C. Swails, of Kingstree, and W. J. Swails, of Wilmington, and their wives, spent Christmas with their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Swailes."

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcement by Wilmington Pastors for Services Tomorrow.

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., pastor.—Services tomorrow, Sunday, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M., conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M., and Christian Endeavor Society at 7:15. Midweek prayer service at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. Visitors cordially welcomed.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor.—Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath school at 3:30 P. M. and W. C. E. Society at 7 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public is cordially invited. Seats free.

Watch night services will be conducted at the First Presbyterian church tomorrow night, beginning at 11:15, by the Brotherhood Bible Class. The public is cordially invited.

New Year services and prayer meeting will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian lecture room Monday morning, Jan. 1, 1912, at 7:30 o'clock.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. H. E. Beatty, pastor.—Divine services tomorrow at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 10 A. M. Midweek service, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Visitors cordially invited.

Huntington, W. Va., Dec. 28.—When the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroads's crack train No. 5 left the rails at McKendree, W. Va., today, the locomotive rolled down an embankment and a number of coaches left the rails. Engineer William Dunn, of Hinton, W. Va., was killed and Fireman Lacy Terrell was fatally crushed. A number of passengers were hurt.

NOTICE.

Applications for the position of Inspector of Sewers and Drains will be received at the office of the Superintendent of Health between this date and noon on Tuesday, January 2nd, 1912.

Applications must be submitted in the writing of the applicant, and must be accompanied by the evidence that the applicant has had experience in the construction, maintenance and sanitation of sanitary sewers and house drains, and has a knowledge of the theory and practice of sanitary plumbing. The applicant must have had engineering training and experience also.

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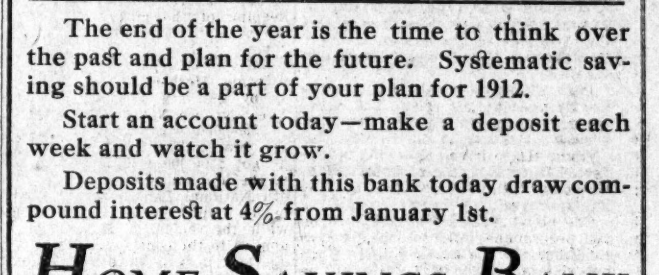

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SHARP SHOOTING FEATURE

Lieut. P. L. Cantwell to Shoot at Target From Aeroplane—Aviator Brookins Arrives Today—Other Events of Day.

One of the most interesting events in connection with the aviation meet to be held at Highwood Park, on New Year's Day, aside from the mail-carrying feature, will be the sharp-shooting from the aeroplane at a target in the center of the field. First Lieut. Paul L. Cantwell, of the Wilmington Light Infantry, which is a member of the Coast Artillery Corps, N. C. N. G., has volunteered to be the first military officer in the South to demonstrate what the flying machine can do in time of war. The shooting will be done from various altitudes, ranging from 50 feet to 150 feet. The size of the target will be the same as that used at all ranges, where military target practice is done.

Throughout the State keen interest is being taken in the coming official test of carrying the mail by aeroplane for which Postmaster General Hitchcock has granted special permission. The location for the post boxes and the first aerial post office to be established at Highwood Park, was selected yesterday. The post office will be at the entrance to the grand stand, and tables on which people may address their post cards and letters will be provided on the day of the meet. Postmaster Thos. E. Wallace has assigned two postmen to be stationed on the ground and handle the mails. He will personally be there to deliver the pouch after all the post cards and letters have been collected and stamped, to Mr. Brookins. The special post mark stamp is also ready for use. It reads: "Aerial Sub-Station, Highwood Park, Wilmington, N. C.," which is the authorized form provided by the United States Postoffice Department.

The entries for the automobile, motor cycle and horse races were closed yesterday. These will prove to be most exciting events.

Two of the automobiles were running around the track for an hour yesterday and made considerable speed. Although the track was still a little damp, due to the recent rains, the automobilists enjoyed the sport immensely and predict that New Year's Day the race between the automobiles will be one of the most exciting features of the day.

In the horse races, which will be the last event of the afternoon, the following are the horses entered and their drivers:

"Snip Hal," driven by J. J. Darby; "Anna Director," driven by Mr. L. W. Davis, and "Highwood King," driven by Mr. J. Hayes.

The horse races were placed last on the programme in order to preserve the track for the automobile and motor-cycle races. Mr. F. T. Mills will be the starter and Dr. Thos. B. Carroll the judge.

Five entries are named in the motor cycle race: Messrs. Claude Brock, Neill Hines, Marx Nathan, William Athner and Charles Blake. The length of the race will be five miles, or ten times around the track. Mr. E. R. Pickard will start and judge the cyclists.

In the automobile event there will be four local expert drivers, as follows: R. E. Blake, in "Hupmobile;" Hardy Sculken, in a "Chalmers;" L. B. Douglas, in a "Maxwell," and Carl Korb, in a "Reo." These men will be judged by W. A. French, who will also start the race.

This is the first time in Wilmington that a public exhibition of automobile and motor cycle racing has been given on an oval track. For those who have never seen such races it will certainly prove interesting. The track is wide enough to hold four cars abreast. They will be started from in front of the grand stand in the same manner that a horse race is started. All the automobiles will be reduced to a minimum weight. The unnecessary parts being taken off, such as wind shields, lamps, running board, mud guards and top.

Mr. Walter Brookins will arrive this evening at 6:15 o'clock. He wired to have everything in readiness so that he might go out to the race track at Highwood Park Sunday afternoon and look over the grounds. Mr. Chas. Lawson, Mr. Brookins' chief mechanician, will arrive this morning from the Burgess-Curtiss factory at Marblehead, Mass. The aeroplane was located yesterday afternoon by the Seaboard Air Line and will arrive this morning. It left Richmond, Va., on Thursday night. For a time, neither the Seaboard Air Line nor the Atlantic Coast Line officials could locate the car in which the aeroplane is being shipped, but after sending several traces for it, they learned yesterday that it had not gone astray. Mr. Lawson will immediately give his attention to having the machine unpacked at the race track and placed in the shed, where he will assemble it.

Lieut. Cantwell will meet Mr. Brookins this evening and outline the target shooting feature of the meet. One of the questions in Lieutenant Cantwell's mind is whether it will be more difficult to hit a target from "on high" than it is on the ground. He is well known in Wilmington and among the Coast Artillery Corps of the North Carolina National Guard as a crack marksman, and has also won several medals in company shoots at Wrightsville Beach. He felt very pleased at having the opportunity of being the first officer in the State to be permitted to make this test in the South.

Lieut. Cantwell would not predict that he would hit the bull's eye every time, but he expects to at least land one bullet in the center of the target. He will use a regulation Springfield rifle.

It will not be so uncomfortable to shoot from the Wright machine as it is from some other types of aeroplane. A special passenger seat is built next to the aviator, in which the person sits with as much comfort as he would in an automobile, while his feet rest on a bar in front of him. Lieut. Cantwell will point the gun from his left side. He will make a report to the Adjutant General of the State National Guard, and also the War Department at Washington. At the War Department in Washington Lieut. Cantwell's reports will go on file with nearly a dozen similar reports of shooting from an aeroplane. At College Park, Md., where the signal corps maintains a military aerodrome, the rifle practice from the flying machines is made a regular part of the army aviation corps training.

No word has been received fom Col. Bennett, commander of Fort Caswell, whether any of the officers stationed at the post have volunteered to make this experiment of shooting from an aeroplane. A request was sent to Col. Bennett several days ago by the management of the aviation meet, and he said that he would gladly present the invitation to the officers now stationed at the post. Just after the invitation had been extended the name of Lieut. Cantwell, of the W. L. I., was suggested by a number of Wilmington people because of his splendid record as a marksman. The management of the meet, after waiting for the answer from Col. Bennett, then decided to invite Lieut. Cantwell, who gladly accepted.

Dr. Morris M. Caldwell, president of the Wilmington Driving Association, and Mr. Frank Herbst, the local manager of the meet, have both been sparing no efforts to make this aviation meet the most successful that has ever been held in the Southern States. It was their suggestion that in conjunction with the flying machine features of the meet there should be various other events that have been placed on the programme. By so doing, Dr. Caldwell and Mr. Herbst believe that they will introduce to Wilmington a new form of sport as well as to make the day at Highwood Park one full of spectacular entertainment. A number of workmen were busy yesterday putting the park in condition for the meet.

BOND TRANSACTION CLOSED.

Money Will be in Banks Subject to City's Check Monday.

The entire transaction of the sale of $400,000 worth of municipal bonds to the Southern National Bank and the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company was closed yesterday afternoon and the money will be available and subject to the check of city on and after Monday, January 1st, the time specified for the delivery of the bonds. Capt. Thos. D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer, gave Mr. Chas. N. Evans, president of the above named financial institutions, an order on the Columbia Trust Company, of New York City, for the bonds, and Mr. Evans in turn gave to Mr. Meares a certificate of deposit, as of January 1st, showing that the money is available for the use of the city. Mr. Evans also gave to Capt. Meares collateral for the safe keeping of the money derived from the sale of bonds which is to be on deposit in the institutions named. The collateral was passed upon by City Attorney Herbert McClammy as well as by the city clerk and treasurer. The Southern National Bank purchased $300,000 worth of the bonds and the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company got $100,000 worth. A sum equal to the amount secured by the Southern National Bank will be expended in the improvement of the streets, while the remaining $100,000 is to be applied to the construction of a sewerage system, a definite proposition for the building of which is expected to be in hand by the next meeting of the Council from Mr. Bailey, the contractor, who had one of the contracts for rebuilding the waterworks plant.

COUNTY JAIL IS CROWDED

Cell Capacity Should Be Increased Says Committee

At the request of Mr. Duncan McEachern, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of New Hanover county, Mr. A. G. Hankins, as chairman of the board of visitors to penal and charitable institutions for New Hanover county, accompanied by Mr. W. M. Cumming and Mr. A. J. Howell, have made an investigation of the county jail to ascertain the true state of conditions there, following the statement in the Raleigh News and Observer a few days ago that a deputy sheriff from New Hanover county had stated to Chief Justice Clark, of the Supreme Court, that the jail here at times was crowded to the extent that prisoners could not even sit down and that they are packed in the cages like sardines in a can. The committee yesterday made a report, finding that there is ample room in the jail to accommodate the number of white prisoners that have been confined there for the past year or so, the highest number at any one time having been 10, but the colored compartment was found to be badly crowded. The committee strongly recommends that some provision be made at once for increasing the cell accommodations for the colored people. There are 23 colored prisoners in jail now, it is said. The County Commissioners will no doubt look carefully into the matter and possibly act favorably upon the recommendation

SAD DEATH OF INFANT.

Little Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Marley Suffocated.

Many frieds will tenderly sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Marley in the tragic death of their infant daughter, Emily P. Marley, which occurred at the family residence, No. 812 North Fifth street, yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, caused by suffocation in bed. When discovered by its mother the little one was barely breathing and lived for only a few minutes. Dr. C. D. Bell was called, but the little daughter was beyond the reach of medical attention. The parents are grief-stricken over their loss and in their bereavement they have the sympathy of hundreds of friends in this city and elsewhere. The little girl was five months and two days old. The body will be taken on the early train this morning to Mullins, S. C., where the funeral and interment will take place.

Brief services were held at the saddened home last night, conducted by Rev. W. L. Rexford, pastor of Bladen Street Methodist Church, but the funeral will be held at Mullins today.

Saved His Wife's Life.

"My wife would have been in her grave today," writes O. H. Brown, of Muscadine, Ala., "if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery. She was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchial trouble and a dreadful cough. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend, and was well in a short time." Infallible for coughs and colds, it's the most reliable remedy on earth for desperate lung trouble, hemorrhages, lagrippe, asthma, hay fever, croup and whooping cough. 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

MR. LYMAN DELANO APPOINTED

Will Succeed Mr. W. R. Sullivan as Assistant to the President of the Atlantic Coast Line—Mr. Sullivan Leaves.

Official circulars will be issued today from the office of President T. M. Emerson, of the Atlantic Coast Line, announcing the appointment of Mr. Lyman Delano as assistant to the president, succeeding Mr. W. R. Sullivan, who recently resigned to accept a position with a prominent banking house in New York city.

The change becomes effective on Monday, January 1st, and Mr. Delano has been engaged for several days in familiarizing himself with the duties of his new position.

Mr. Delano has been with the railroad for a number of years, and is considered a fine railroad man. For some time he has been assistant to the chief engineer of the road. He has been a resident of Wilmington for a year or two and lives at Second and Nun streets. He has many friends in Wilmington, who will be interested and pleased to learn that he is steadily rising in the railroad world.

Mr. Sullivan, whom he succeeds, will leave Wilmington tomorrow night, accompanied by Mrs. Sullivan, for New York city, where they will make their home in the future. Both have many friends in Wilmington, who sincerely regret that they are to make their home elsewhere.

MASONS WENT TO BURGAW.

Large Number From St. John's Lodge Aided in Degree Work.

Accepting the invitation of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 138, at Burgaw, 13 members of St. John's Lodge, and one from Orion Lodge, of this city, spent the day there yesterday and assisted the local lodge in conferring the degree of Master Mason on five of its members.

In addition to the formal exercises in conferring the degree, State Senator Rivers Johnson made an excellent address on Masonry, which was very instructive and thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance. Mr. E. H. Munson, of Orion Lodge, of this city, also made a pleasing speech.

The visitors were given an elegant dinner at the Black Hotel, the leading hostelry of that place.

Those who went from Wilmington were as follows: Mr. B. A. Merritt, worshipful master; Mr. S. R. Keyes, acting senior warden; Mr. A. S. Holden, secretary; Messrs. A. L. and W. R. Dosher, W. B. Muse, Wm. K. Allen, J. L. Becton, L. A. Scott, Paul B. Bell, Claude Murray, W. P. McGlaughon, Dr. Chas. T. Gardner, of St. John's Lodge, and E. H. Munson, of Orion Lodge.

COMES WITH THE STAR.

Mr. R. M. Norment, Jr., Succeeds Mr. Reynolds as Telegraph Editor.

Mr. James F. Reynolds, who recently took the position of telegraph editor with the Morning Star, has resigned, effective with the New Year, and leaves Monday for his former home at Troy, N. C., where he will be engaged with the Montgomerian, the successful weekly publication in the fine old county which gives name to the paper. He has made a number of friends in the city and of everybody on the paper and these wish for him a large measure of success in his new field.

Mr. Reynolds is succeeded by Mr. R. M. Norment, Jr., an experienced newspaper man of Lumberton, N. C., who has already entered upon his duties. Mr. Norment is from one of the best families in eastern North Carolina, has decided talent for newspaper work and will be welcomed to the fraternity in Wilmington. The Star takes pleasure in commending him to its friends and any favors shown him will be appreciated by the paper.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

This is Charge Upon Which Mose Bryant Was Tried Yesterday.

In the Recorder's Court yesterday morning Mose Bryant, colored, arrested some days ago, was given hearing on a charge of attempted burglary, it being alleged that he atttempted to enter the house of Jason Capehart, colored, in Rehder's alley, in the block surrounded by Ninth and Tenth and Red Cross and Campbell streets. Judgment was reserved until next Tuesday, when two additional cases against the defendant will be tried. The other two cases are for assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon. He is represented by Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq.

Jim Ezzelle, colored, was given a hearing on the charge of assault on his wife, the case coming up from Justice Bornemann's court. The prosecution was represented by R. F. Brooks, Esq. The defendant was found not guilty.

A drunk was taxed the costs.

MISS EVANS PASSES AWAY.

Death of Aged Lady Occurred at Home of Capt. W. P. Oldham.

After an illness covering a period of six months, Miss Bettie Evans, died yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Capt. and Mrs. W. P. Oldham, No. 213 South Second street, where she has made her home for many years. She was beloved by all who knew her and many friends in the city will learn of her death with much sorrow. She was a consecrated member of the First Baptist church and took a great interest in Christian work, having been a member of this church for 60 years. Miss Evans was in her 82nd year.

The funeral will be conducted from the home on South Second street this afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church. The remains will be interred in Oakdale cemetery.

Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach troubles is vastly greater, but not if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Ia., proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months of suffering from virulent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was then completely cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at R. R. Bellamy.

SANDLIN'S BODY HERE.

Remained at Union Station Over Night on Way to Onslow County.

The body of L. M. Sandlin, the Wilmington wife-murderer, who was electrocuted in the State prison at Raleigh yesterday for his crime, arrived here late yesterday afternoon on the train from Goldsboro, and remained at the union station over night to await the 5:50 train this morning.

The remains will be taken to his old home at Verona, Onslow county, where they will be interred today beside the grave of his wife, whom he shot to death at her home in this city last June. The remains were accompanied from Raleigh by Mr. J. E. Sandlin, his brother, who will continue the trip with the body to Onslow today.

PIRATES STILL WINNERS.

Defeated Athletics in Basketball Game at Brigade Last Night.

In an exciting game of basketball at the Boys' Brigade armory last night the Pirates defeated the Athletics by a score of 48 to 31, this being a contest between the leaders in the first half of the series at the Brigade this season. The Pirates remain the leaders as a result of last night's contest.

A team picked from Company B will play a game with a team from the High School at the Brigade next Monday night. This will be one of the feature games of the season. There was a big crowd present to witness the contest last night and much interest was manifested. The second half of the series of 1911-12 will begin some time during January.

Telephone Pole Straightened.

A way out of the rather peculiar situation in which the city and the Bell Telephone Company found themselves with reference to a telephone pole which had broken off at its base, was found yesterday, after a conference between Chief of Police Fowler and Assistant City Attorney Peschau. The telephone company could not be given a permit to erect or replace the pole, until the special license tax of $200 has been paid and this the company has steadfastly refused to do. So it was decided that all danger from the pole would be removed and at the same time be within the law by allowing the telephone company to straighten and strengthen the pole in question, which was leaning far over the sidewalk at corner of Surry and Church streets. Had the company not decided to carry out the suggestion then the police department would have cut the pole down, it was said.

Pasenger Agents to Florida

Yesterday's Charleston, S. C., News and Courier: "A special party of fifty Eastern members of the American Association of Passenger Agents spent five pleasant hours in Charleston yesterday, leaving at 1 o'clock for Jacksonville, Fla., where the annual meeting of the association will take place today and tomorrow. The party arrived here at 7:35 o'clock A. M. in a special train from Richmond, over the tracks of the Atlantic Coast Line, being accompanied by Mr. W. J. Craig, passenger traffic manager of the Coast Line, with headquarters in Wilmington, and leaving the city at 1:05 o'clock P. M., Mr. Thomas E. Myers, traveling passenger agent of the Coast Line, with headquarters in Charleston, accompanied the agents to Savannah.

Basketball Tonight.

Two games of basketball are scheduled to be played in the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A. tonight. The first game will be between a picked team from the ranks of the senior department of the Y. M. C. A. classes and of a team to be selected from the expert colleges players home for the holidays. The second contest will be between a picked team from the junior class of the association and from the strong High School team. The first game begins at 8 o'clock and second will commence immediately upon the close of the first. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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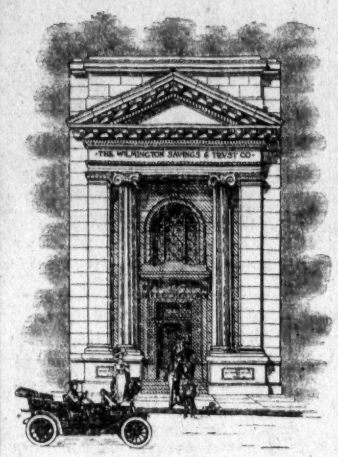

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Married Thursday Night

Mr. Wilford A. Cretau and Miss Nettie M. Sellers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Sellers, were married Thursday night at 8:30 o'clock at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Cretau, No. 408 Dock street, Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church, performing the ceremony in the presence of a number of relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Creteau will live at No. 905 North Fifth street. Mr. Creteau is manage of the grocery store of Mr S. G. Long, on South Front street, and is a well-known young man. His bride is a well-known and popular young lady. Friends extend to the couple their best wishes.

Death of Mrs. C. W. Kennedy.

Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer has the following with reference to the death of Mrs. C. W. Kennedy, wife of the former yardmaster of the Atlantic Coast Line in this city: "The sad news was received here today that Mrs. Kennedy, wife of Mr. C. W. Kennedy, died at their home in Lakeland, Fla., this morning. The remains will be brought to Fayetteville on the noon Jacksonville train Sunday, and the funeral wil be held from the residence of Mr. Charles Kennedy, on Moore street. Mrs. Kennedy was a daughter of the late J. A. D. Boone, of this city. She had many friends here who will be grieved to learn of her death."

Origin of Fire "Unknown."

Acting on reports that the fire which started in the store of W. T. Mercer & Co., on Dock street Thursday night was probably of incendiary origin, Chief Chas. Schnibben, of the Fire Department, made an investigation yesterday and later reported the cause of the blaze to be "unknown." First reports were to the effect that someone was heard walking on the roof of the building before the fire broke out. Chief Schnibben has reason to believe the fire resulted from natural causes.

ROBBERS CAUGHT

Bloodhound Trails Two Negroes at Rowland, N. C.---Arrests

(Fayetteville Observer, 29th.)

In yesterday's Observer we mentioned the fact that Deputy Sheriff Hall had gone to Rowland with the bloodhound, 'Frank," to help to catch robbers. The sheriff arrived in Rowland about 11:30 yesterday morning to find that Barker's drug store had been broken open Wednesday night and some money and goods stolen, among the goods being a bicycle.

The dog took up the trail from the store at once, and followed it for some distance into the country, Mr. Barker, the proprietor of the store which had been robbed, accompanying Sheriff Hall. The trail was followed to a house where lay the corpse of a negro who had died Wednesday night, after being shot by the chief of police of Rowland Christmas Day. At this house a negro by the name of Stockton was captured.

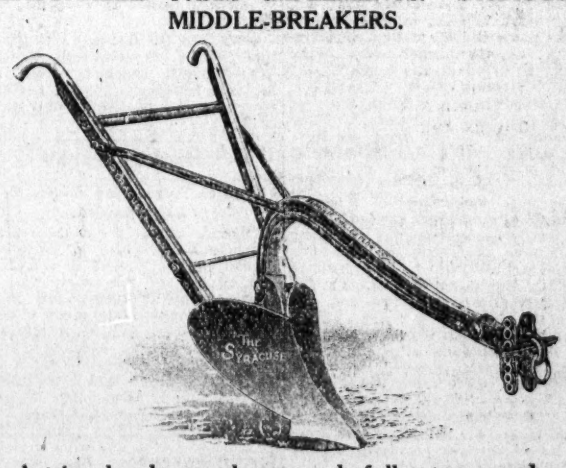
Sheriff Hall and Mr. Barker put the negro into a buggy and started to Rowland with him. After traveling some distance, the negro suddenly "slid" out of the buggy, ran a short distance and drew a gun and commenced firing on both Hall and Baker, swearing he would kill the dog if he was turned loose on him. The men did not wish to see the dog killed so they did not loose him, although he made frantic efforts to get at the negro. The negro then ran into a swamp.

When the dog took up the trail it was followed over fields, woods and through brooks. When the fugitive would reach a road, he would get on his bicycle and ride, and then the men would have to take the trail. Over rough woods and fields he would walk, pushing his bicycle, and then the dog would take the track. Finally, the trail led to the house where the negro was caught. Sheriff Hall reports that his hound did splendid work.

On returning to Rowland, the dog took the trail again, circled around a little, and led up to another negro, (name unknown to the sheriff), who was taken into custody, and confessed that he and Stockton, the negro who escaped, had been guilty of the numerous robberies which have taken place near Rowland recently. When Sheriff Hall left Rowland last night, the robber was safe in the guard house there, his capture being due to the fine work of "Frank," the bloodhound.

The sheriff did not arrive here until 1:30 o'clock this morning, being delayed on account of a wreck at Natal, a point between here and Hope Mills.

SEASONABLE FARM IMPLEMENTS. SYRACUSE MIDDLE-BREAKERS.



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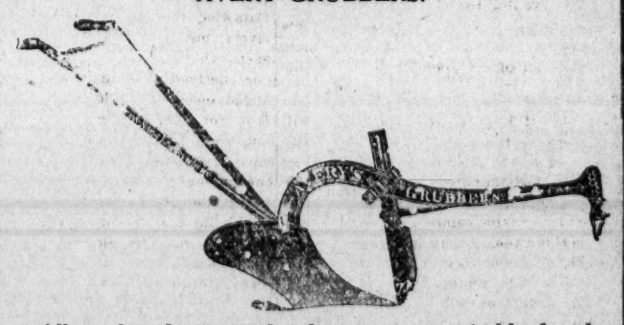

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Miss Lillian Banks, of Gastonia, is the guest of Mrs. C. D. Weeks, on Princess street.

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Mrs. Silas Sheetz returned Thursday night from Fayetteville, where she spent the holidays with Mr. Sheetz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sheetz.

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Mr. J. E. L. Wade and bride, who were recently married in Norfolk, Va., and went for a bridal tour, have been welcomed home in Wilmington. They are occupying apartments in The Grand Building until they go to housekeeping in the Spring.

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The Foursquare Club held its Christmas social at the home of Miss Ida Black, on North Third street, Thursday night. The 20 couples present had a most enjoyable time. Besides the many appropriate games which were indulged in the party enjoyed dainty products of the chafing dish.

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Mr. and Mrs. John D. Robinson have returned to the city from their bridal tour and are at home to their friends at No. 119 Chesnut street. They were married at the home of the bride, who was Miss Katie Rivenbark, at Watha, about a week ago. They were entertained last night at a reception given in their honor by Mr. and Mrs. E. Cavanaugh at their home on North Second street.

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Mrs. E. Norfleet entertained in honor of her cousin, Mrs. Robert Bagley at her home, No. 109 Ann stret, yesterday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock. There were some 18 guests present and it proved a most delightful social function. The home was prettily decorated for the occasion, suggestive of the Christmas season. Coffee, salads and other refreshments were served during the afternoon.

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ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION AT Y. M. C. A.

Invitations were issued yesterday from the office of the Y. M. C. A. for the annual New Year's recepton to be given in the parlors of the association next Monday night. The invitations read as follows:

The Young Men's Christian Association
at Home
to its members and friends
Monday evening, January 1st,
nineteen hundred and twelve
9 to 11 Music Refreshments

The parlors will be attractively and appropriately decorated for the occasion. Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary will be hostesses of the evening and officers of the association will be present to greet the guests. An attractive muscal programme, which is now being arranged, will be rendered under the direction of Miss Cannie Chasten. Refreshments will be served by a committee of young ladies and everything points to a most enjoyable time for all. This will probably be the last New Year's reception that will ever be held in the present building, as the Y. M. C. A. hopes to be in its new building January 1st, 1913.

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WILMINGTONIAN CLAIMS SOUTH CAROLINA BRIDE

Brightsville, S. C., Dec. 29.—On Wednesday, December 27th, at 4 o'clock P. M., a marriage that will be of much interest to many people of this place and the village of Atkinson, N. C., the former home of the groom, occurred at the home of the bride's father, when Miss Willie Edith Goodwin became the bride of Mr. Willie Ransom Peterson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Dukes, pastor of the Methodist church of this place, in a very solemn and impressive manner.

The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white and carried a bouquet of carnations. The wedding march was beautifully rendered by Miss Estelle Moore. The waiters were Mr. Eph Goodwin, brother of the bride, and Miss Bertha Peterson, sister of the groom.

Immediately following the ceremony and congratulations of a host of friends the bridal party repaired to the dining room where was a sumptuously-laden table in the midst of a beautifully decorated room. The happy couple received many handsome presents attesting their popularity among their friends.

At 6 o'clock the bridal party were driven in automobiles to Gibson, where they took the southbound train for Wilmington, arriving there at 12:20 P. M. They were met by automobiles at the union station and driven to their residence at 807 Orange street.

The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. E. W. Goodwin, a prosperous merchant and farmer of this place. The groom holds a position as traveling salesman with the Crescent Candy Company, of Wilmington, with which firm he has been connected for six years.

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L'AGILE CHRISTMAS DANCE LAST NIGHT

The Christmas dance of L'Agile Cotillion Club in the Masonic Temple last night was one of the largest attended and prettiest ever given by the social organization during the Yuletue season. The hall was beautifully decorated for the function and there were quite a number of visitors present and dancing in addition to members of the club, some of whom are home from college spending the holidays. The dancing was led by Mr. Ernest Peschau and Miss Alma Peschau.

Those present and dancing were: Mr. J. W. Harriss with Miss Janie Meares; Mr. J. Q. Myers with Miss Edna Myers; Mr. C. U. Hill with Miss Sallie Wright; Mr. B. O'Neill with Miss Rosa D. Willingham; Mr. R. F. Warren, Jr., with Miss Janet O'Neill; Mr. R. H. Grant, Jr., with Miss Almeria Stevenson; Mr. Dick Harriss with Miss Marie Grainger; Mr. J. N. Jacobs with Miss Etta Brand; Mr. DuBrutz Poisson with Miss Smallbones; Mr. Ernest Peschau with Miss Alma Peschau; Mr. Nelson MacRae with Miss Boatwright; Mr. E. H. Hahn with Miss Margaret Quince; Mr. T. E. Smith with Miss Lucianna Poisson; Mr. P. M. Holmes with Miss Annie Worth; Mr. D. Frank Holloway with Miss Theo. Cantwell; Mr. S. B. Harper with Miss Lauriston Hardin; Mr. Will Robinson with Miss Emeline Bridgers; Mr. Stone Pulliam with Miss Lucile Skinner; Mr. J. R. Murchison with Miss Nellie Savage; Mr. D. R. Murchison with Miss Francis Bailey; Mr. H. P. West with Miss Eleanor Gilchrist; Mr. Geo. W. Long, Jr., of Graham, with Miss Bessie Gore; Mr. T. F. Wood with Miss Margaret Smith; Mr. Bennett Dunn with Miss Routh Bridgers; Mr. Allen G. Fechtig with Miss Katie Northrop; Mr. and Mrs. Van R. C. King.

Stags—Messrs. L. P. Davis, Louis T. Moore, R. W. Barker, Homer G. Day, of New York, and R. W. Cantwell.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Father Gallagher announces that he will lecture in the Opera House at Lumberton next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. His subject will be "The Catholic Church and the Bible."

—A Seaboard shifting engine crashed into some box cars on the yard Thursday, this being the second wreck of the kind within a week. The pilot of the engine was practically torn off as a result of the accident.

—Services at Immanuel Presbyterian Church tomorrow will be conducted, both morning and evening, by the pastor, Rev. J. S. Crowley. This will be the last service of the year and members of the church are requested to attend.

—Isaiah Donaldson, colored, was arrested at 12:25 yesterday afternoon on a warrant charging him with the larceny of a fur coat from Lucy Hicks, colored. He was lodged in the city prison to await trial before the Recorder today.

—Appointments of the Yoke Fellows of the Y. M. C. A. for tomorrow are as follows: City prison, J. B. Huntington; county home, P. Heinsberger and H. Wormersley; Castle Haynes, L. D. Latta and M. H. French; Greenville Sound, J. B. Huntington and W. A. McGirt; fire station, L. Williams and G. C. Bordeaux.

—Deputy Sheriff D. W. Fulcher, of Brunswick county, passed through the city yesterday afternoon en route to Georgetown, S. C., where he goes for Ed. Sexton, a young white man, who is being held there to answer a charge of false pretense preferred against him at Southport, where he formerly lived. The amount involved is about $150 and Mr. J. J. Loughlin, a merchant of Southport, is the complainant.

—Richard and Oscar Suggs, negro youths, who were arrested a few days ago by Constable Savage on a charge of stealing some articles from the Seashore Hotel, Wrightsville Beach, were released yesterday afternoon by Justice Harriss, no one being able to identify the articles found in the possession of the lads and believed to have been stolen. The officers found in possession of the boys a number of blankets, quilts, sheets, etc.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. C. I. Robinson, of Garland, was in the city yesterday.

—Mr. J. E. Crutchfield, wife and child, of Marshville, spent yesterday in the city, guests at The Orton.

—Mr. J. A. Herndon, general manager of the North State Life Insurance Co., of Kinston, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

—Among yesterday's arrivals at The Orton were D. J. Forlaw, Magnolia; Jas. A. Jones, Laurinburg, and W. H. Phillips, Vineland, N. C.

—Mr. L. W. Moore and little son, of Lyons, Ga., were in the city yesterday, returning home from a visit to friends and relatives at Clinton, N. C.

—Mr. E. L. Moore, the popular night clerk at The Orton, went up to Fayetteville yesterday to spend a day with friends in the Upper Cape Fear city.

—Mr. H. J. Gerken, representing the National Cash Register Co., who has been in the city a few days on business, returned to Raleigh yesterday evening.

—Mr. J. Q. Beckwith, auditor of the Virginia, Carolina & Southern Railroad, with headquarters in Lumberton, returned home yesterday morning, after spending a day or two in the city.

PINCHOT SPEAKS

Talked on Politics and Blasted Bosses and Bossism

Medina, Ohio, Dec. 29.—Gifford Pinchot, former chief of the forestry bureau of the United States, friend and advisor of Roosevelt, who was dismissed by President Taft in the Ballinger controversy, made a political speech here tonight in which he blasted bosses and bossism.

"To the boss a party is not a principle but a tool," said Mr. Pinchot. "In New York State, for example, Murphy is a Democrat, Barnes a Republican. Both alike stand for all that is shameless and all that is unfair in political life. The one clear distinction between them is this. "Murphy rose from an humble origin to his present bad eminence, while Barnes, beginning with the advantages of birth, breeding and university training, prostituted them all to the service of one of the most corrupt political machines of our day.

"I see little to choose between Penrose, servant of the Pennsylvania Railroad, leader of the regular Republicans in the United States Senate and advisor of the administration, and Herrin, the defeated and discredited political manager for the Southern Pacific in California, except this: that Herrin has already been driven from political life, while Penrose soon will be. Roger Sullivan, of Illinois; Boss Cox, of Cincinnati, and countless others are known as undeniable examples of the existence and power of special privilege in politics.

"What chance has the average man to make himself felt in politics where such conditions exist? The boss system is by its very nature a denial of effective political liberty."

After this talk on bossism, Mr. Pinchot took a fling at the Standard Oil Company, assailed the dissolution of the so-called "tobacco trust", and then made a plea for Senator Robert M. LaFollette in his candidacy for the Republican Presidential nomination.

When cutting garments by paper patterns, much time can be saved in marking perforations for tucks, etc., by putting carbon paper under the top piece of goods and marking two pieces at the same time.

THEATRICAL

Patricia O'Brien, Queen of the Chorus, rolled through a dramatic refinery in James Forbes international comedy, "The Chorus Lady" will make her appearance at the Academy today, matinee and night. "The Chorus Lady" has scored one of the greatest hits of the American stage in recent years and she comes to this city with the endorsement of a year's run in Nw York, nine months in Boston, six months in Chicago, and six months in London, England.

The play is a four-act comedy and contrary to the title, is not a musical show, though a dozen girls are carried for the famous dressing room scene in the second act. It is a story of stage life, with a fetching theme and a serious lesson. It pictures certain phases of life in that mysterious land, "behind the scenes," dealing with the rank and file, rather than upper stardom, which field has been frequently invaded by American authors.

MISS ELIZABETH DUNN,
Charming Actress Who Will Appear as Patricia, in "The Chorous Lady," Matinee and Night Today.

Patricia O'Brien is the commonly accepted type of the chorus girl, so far as her vernacular and her general bearing are concerned, but her honesty in purpose and her wholesome humanity stamp her as a most unusual young person and help make the character one of the most original and at the same time most convincing and appealing that has been brought forward on the stage in many a day.

Special prices are prevailing for the performances today at the Academy. The matinee prices will be 25 and 50 cents, while the scale for tonight will be $1 for all seats downstairs, and 50 and 75 cents and $1 for the balcony. Only box seats are $1.50. Seats for both performances are now on sale at Plummer's.

The Pickerts Next Week

The well-known Four Pickerts and their excellent company open a week's engagement at the Academy Monday, New Year's Day, with two performances. This will make a merry and big holiday attraction for the Wilmington playhouse, and, as usual, on a holiday, there will be reserved seats, and seats for both performances went on sale at Plummer's this morning. At matinee monday the Pickerts will be seen in the great modern comedy success, "Out on a Lark," while at night the well-known drama, "The Pride of Virginia," will be presented.

The company is this week appearing with big success in Raleigh, and to a long string of fine tributes the Raleigh News and Observer yesterday added this:

"Another large and well-pleased audience attended the performance of the Pickert Stock Company at the Academy again last night and thoroughly enjoyed the clever manner in which the entire company presented "The Boss of L Ranch." This company by their painstaking efforts and conscientious work and clean wholesome plays are growing in favor and popularity among the better class of show-goers and their business is increasing every night. The specialties between the acts are of a refined, pleasing nature and are received with well-merited applause."

At The Grand Theatre.

"One Touch of Nature," a story of the love of John Mahoney, and "The Heart of Nichette," a dramatic offering of power and reason, will be the topliners at The Grand Theatre today and the management assures the public that the bill will be up to the usual high standard of this popular playhouse. The last picture is put on by by members of the Parisian Ballet and Orchestra and is a story of contrast that is so fascinating to the general public. A young physician and a little child racked with fever are the central characters while a drunken father and a French dancer are introduced to give color to the presentation. The story of "One Touch of Nature" has to do with a young lawyer and his first client, intertwining a love story that is both pathetic and beautiful. In addition to these there will be one other reel of high-class pictures and Mr. Morgan will sing a favorite song. Then the orchestra as usual will be on hand to discourse sweet music. The house is cozy and comfortable and the Grand will be found a delightful retreat from the biting wind and the chill atmosphere of the street.

At The Bijou.

The Bijou is certainly there with the variety, the pleasing variety, in addition to its usual big week-end bill today, which is of more than ordinary interest, too, on account of the festive holiday nature of the Bijou's daily show at this time, will be presented a big animated newspaper. This novelty will be keenly appreciated by returned collegians aside from the current events it will flash before their eyes. The Weekly to be presented today is considered the best and most interesting of the big Pathe company has yet created. The onlookers will be carried in rapid succession, from this country to Berlin, Paris, London and Milan. They will see President Taft when he witnessed the costly and vital mine demonstration work in Pennsylvania last month and will also behold him upon the occasion of the christening of the replica of the New Orleans. The big cycle race in France and imposing review of the troops in Berlin will also be seen, while in Milan will be shown the recent cavalry charge that was necessary to disperse a mob in that Italian city. The greetings given Jack Johnson by an immense crowd in London will also be flashed on the screen, while the femininity will be shown the latest frills in dress now in vogue at dear Paree. The other films on today's bill will be of the finest type, while the music will be new and awfully jolly.

ANOTHER BANKRUPT MILL.

Lily Mills, of Spray, in Hands of a Receiver.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 29.—The second of a chain of four mills in Rockingham county, of which the American Warehouse Company, now in bankruptcy, was the holding company, and in which the Marshall Field Company, of Chicago, owned controlling stock, was placed in bankruptcy by Judge Boyd today upon the petition of unsecured creditors of the Lily Mills, a cotton goods manufacturing concern. The court named J. S. McAllister, of Spray, as receiver. An answer was filed by the defendant corporation admitting insolvency. A statement issued recently by the company showed its liabilities to be $314,000 and assets $325,000.

MANY PRISONERS ESCAPE

Four Hundred Force Their Way Out of Mexican Penitentiary

San Luis Polo, Mexico, Dec. 29.—Four hundred prisoners in the penitentiary here today escaped. They overpowered the guards, seized a few guns and attacked sixteen rurales quartered in nearby barracks, killing the sentinel and wounding a number of the troopers. The escaped prisoners sought refuge in the country but before night soldiers detailed to run them down had captured the larger part. Governor Cepeda says he believes the jail delivery was part of the Reyists movement planned before the surrender of General Reyes.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 29.—Indications are that the enabling act, long sought by the Anti-Saloon League, giving the people the right to vote on State-wide prohibition, will probably be adopted by the Legislature which is to convene in January. It also seems certain that the Legislature will adopt a bill in behalf of putting convict labor to work on public highways and grinding lime so that the farmers may buy it at a minimum cost.

WORD COSTS THOUSANDS.

Omission of "Sisters" From Will Bars Claimant From Share.

Cincinnati, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Henrietta Goodloe, of Denver, Colo., niece of the late James S. Armstrong, will not share in his $1,500,000 estate, according to a decision by Judge Swing today in a suit brought by the trustees to expedite the distribution of the estate.

Her share was lost to her because of the omission of the word "sisters" from the will. The document provided that the property was to be distributed among the heirs of brothers, nephews and nieces.

Mrs. Goodloe is a daughter of a sister of Mr. Armstrong. Her attorneys held the omission was unintentional.

Greenville, S. C., Dec. 29.—Charles S. Allen, now commercial agent of the Seaboard Air Line Railway at this city, has been appointed general freight and passenger agent of the Piedmont & Northern Railway, known as the Interurban and will have headquarters in this city. The Piedmont & Northern Railway is now near completion.

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NINE ARE SUMMONED.

Will Testify Regarding Blowing Up of Bridge and Iron Works.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 29.—Nine citizens were summoned today to appear at Indianapolis before the grand jury on January 4th, and testify regarding the blowing up of the Peoria & Pekin union bridge and the Lucas Iron Works a year ago. It is said their testimony will greatly aid the government in making the extensive investigation of dynamite explosions.

Burns at New Orleans

New Orleans, Dec. 29.—Detective William J. Burns, here making investigations in connection with the alleged country-wide dynamite conspiracy, reiterated there would be arrests of men "higher up."

"The members of the executive board of the International Association of Bridge and Steel Structural Iron Workers who voted for a fund to be used by the McNamaras in their dynamiting conspiracy are just as guilty as are the McNamara brothers. We are going after these 'higher up' and the others, too," he said today.

Burns is here investigating an explosion which partly wrecked a building being constructed by non-union labor about a year ago.

INSANITY FAST INCREASING

Massachusetts Led States With 344.6 Insane Per 100,000 Population

Washington, Dec. 29.—While the total population of the United States increased about 11 per cent. in the last six years the number of insane people was augmented during the same period by 25 per cent. in 372 institutions canvassed by the census bureau up to January 1st, 1910, there were 187,454 patients or an increase of 37,303 since 1904.

Massachusetts led the States with 344.6 insane per 100,000 population, with New York a close second with 343.1 for every 100,000 persons.

WAXHAW HOTEL BURNED

Recently Remodeled---Other Buildings Caught Fire

Monroe, N. C., Dec. 29.—Yesterday afternoon at three o'clock the Bivens Hotel, conducted by Mr. Russell McDonald, at Waxhaw, N. C., was totally destroyed by fire, together with a large portion of the contents. The building was two stories, had twelve rooms and had recently been remodeled and painted. The fire originated from a defective flue in the kitchen and for a while the whole town was threatened. The postoffice, the Howard boarding house and the McDonald grocery store caught fire, but were put out by the vigilant citizens of that little city, 11 miles south of Monroe. There is no fire company there and Monroe was called, but just as the wagons, engine and trucks were loaded on a special train, a message came saying the flames were under control. The loss is about five thousand and the insurance is one thousand. The building was owned by Mrs. Lula Bivens, of West Durham, and was a frame structure.

BRITISH STEAMER ASHORE

Thistleroy With $500,000 Cargo Is Stranded Off Cape Lookout

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 29.—The British steamer Thistleroy, with a cargo of cotton valued at $500,000 is reported ashore 15 miles South of Cape Lookout. The Thistleroy is commanded by Captain Ferguson and is bound to Europe from a gulf port. Se was to take on bunker coal at Norfolk. No details of her stranding are obtainable here.

New York, Dec. 26.—New records in many events were established at Madison Square Garden tonight, during the first half of the senior and junior championships' athletic unions, which will be completed tomorrow night.

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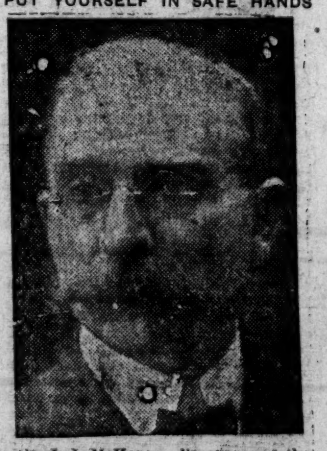

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON MARKET FIRMED UP

All Three of the Big Cotton Markets Will be Closed Until Tuesday Morning—The New Year Holiday.

New York, Dec. 29.—After a very irregular opening, due to the circulation of a few December and heavy January notices, the cotton market firmed up on buying of near months, by trade interests and covering of later deliveries for over the holidays, with the close very steady at a net advance of 8 to 12 points. All three of the big cotton markets will be closed from tonight until next Tuesday morning.

The opening was steady with first prices 6 or 7 points lower on December and January as a result of active liquidation by scattering longs, who evidently wished to avoid deliveries; while later months were unchanged to five points higher in sympathy with steady Liverpool cables. It was estimated that practically all the cotton delivered on December contracts were re-tendered on January by the big spot people this morning, it being rumored that the notices issued represeted approximately 15,000 bales. The increased differences, however, the same large trade interests who were credited with issuing the notices were good buyers of January around the ring, showing a willingness to take back the cotton at the discount under March and May and as soon as this became apparent the market rallied, owing to the continued steadiness of Liverpool, and covering by people who had sold earlier in the week on the strength of the Lancashire labor troubles. Business was active at the start, but became quiet later with the market failing to attract much fresh interest on the eve of a three-day adjournment, although prices continued very steady and reached the highest point of the day in the late trading with the close only a point or two off from the best. The into-sight figures proved about in line with expectations or at least seemed to attract no particular attention and private cables predicting that the Lancashire mill troubles would continue so long as the funds of the operatives held out, made little impression, owing to the relatively steady ruling of the English market. December sold off to 8.86 early and the last price quoted for that position was around 8.80, or within five points of January, after havng shown a premium of nearly 50 points net long ago.

Receipts today at the ports 89,681 bales against 101,415 last week and 50,866 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 9,841 against 12,681 last year, and at Galveston 29,262 against 11,723 last year and at Houston 16,664 against 9,3'1 last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet, 10 points lower; middling uplands, 9.25; do. gulf, 9.50; sales, 41,300.

Futures closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	8.46	8.82	8.62	8.82
Feb	8.76	8.90	....	8.91
Mar	8.88	8.98	8.87	8.98
Apr	....	....	....	9.03
May	9.00	9.10	8.98	9.10
June	....	9.09	....	9.16
July	9.14	9.22	9.10	9.22
Aug	9.17	9.24	9.17	9.26
Sept	....	....	....	9.31
Oct	9.29	9.36	9.36	9.36
Nov	9.35	9.36	9.35	9.40
Dec	8.84	8.85	8.76	....

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 9¼; net receipts, 29,262; gross receipts, 29,262; sales, 402; stock, 464,815; continent, 7,811.

New Orleans—Easy, 9 1-16; net receipts, 9,841; gross receipts, 9,944; sales, 945; stock, 292,900; Great Britain, 14,000; continent, 4,996; constwise, 25.

Mobile—Net receipts, 1,342; gross receipts, 1,342; stock, 91,064; Great Britain, 5,098; continent, 102.

Savannah—Quiet, 8⅝; net receipts, 7,521; gross receipts, 2,521; sales, 2,530; stock, 251,068; France, 7,042; continent, 13,700; coastwise, 3,405.

Charleston—Quiet, 8¾; net receipts, 1,682; gross receipts, 1,682; stock, 41,593; coastwise, 3,688.

Wilmington—Dull, 8½; net receipts, 1,698; gross receipts, 1,698; stock, 17,419.

Norfolk—Steady; net receipts, 4,282; gross receipts, 4,282; sales, 1,824; stock, 51,706; constwise, 4,580.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9⅜; net receipts, 4,224; gross receipts, 7,284; stock, 7,746; Great Britain, 1,150; coastwise, 4,424.

New York—Quiet, 9.25; gross receipts, 11,752; sales, 41,300; stock, 184,012; continent, 639; constwise, 3,805.

Boston—Quiet, 9.25; net receipts, 932; gross receipts, 2,433; stock, 5,264.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.50; gross receipts, 4,722; stock, 3,882; Great Britain, 3,822; continent, 900.

Brunswick—Net receipts, 10,202; gross receipts, 10,202; stock, 18,643; continent, 3,244.

Gulfport—Net receipts, 3,772; gross receipts, 3,772; stock, 13,620.

Newport News—Net receipts, 1,214; gross receipts, 1,214; coastwise, 1,214.

Port Arthur—Net receipts, 9,000; gross receipts, 9,000; continent, 9,000.

Texas City—Net receipts, 4,649; gross receipts, 4,649; stock, 98,395.

Total today at all ports — Net, 89,681; Great Britain, 24,070; France, 7,042; continent, 37,040; stock, 1,582,127.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 352,087; Great Britain, 75,787; France, 57,637; continent, 144,526; Japan, 24,645.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 7,140,907; Great Britain, 2,112,133; France, 639,383; continent, 2,097,000; Japan, 172,139; Mexico, 3,235.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Quiet, 9¼; net receipts, 16,664; gross receipts, 16,664; shipments, 18,182; sales, 1,530; stock, 183,733.

Augusta—Steady, 9¼; net receipts, 1,574; gross receipts, 1,500; shipments, 1,532; sales, 799; stock, 88,068.

Memphis—Quiet, 9¾; net receipts, 2,276; gross receipts, 3,364; shipments, 3,746; sales, 2,850; stock, 205,021.

St. Louis—Quiet, 9⅝; net receipts, 1,450; gross receipts, 10,911; shipments, 9,850; sales, 25; stock, 27,635.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 2,846; gross receipts, 2,846; gross receipts, 2,846; shipments, 1,536; stock, 12,716.

Little Rock—Quiet, 9; net receipts, 1,632; gross receipts, 1,632; shipments, 1,506; stock, 44,698.

Louisville—Firm, 9¾; net receipts, 258; gross receipts, 258; shipments, 17; sales, 301; stock, 100.

Total today—Net receipts, 26,500; gross receipts, 37,265; shipments, 36,429; sales, 5,305; stock, 561,971.

THE MONEY MARKET.

New York, Dec. 29.—Money on call firmer 3 1-2 to 4 per cent., ruling rate 4, closing bid 3 3-4, offered at 3 7-8. Time loans softer, 60 days 4; 90 days 3 3-4 to 3, six months 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 1-4 to 4 1-2; sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8325; 60 day bills at 4.8615 to 4.8620 for demand. Commercial bills 4.82 1-2. Bar silver 54 3-8. Mexican dollars 56.

THE WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW

Some Advances in Cotton Were Shown—Lancashire Strike May Prove More Serious Than Was Expected

New York, Dec. 29.—Prices have advanced somewhat in spite of the big Lancashire strike which it is feared may yet become more serious than it was at the outset. Towards the close of the week the December collapsed under the weight of heavy selling. The premium of 46 points over January was replaced with one of fifteen on Thursday and of course, the deal is a thing of the past. The stock here has been steadily increasing and it is believed that during month a still greater increase will be witnessed. Meantime, Liverpool spot sales have fallen off sharply. Spot markets have been quiet and in some cases rather easier. Lancashire is reported dull. Yarns in this country have been quiet though some improvement has taken place in the cotton goods industry there is plenty room for more. While some of the large spot interests have been buying January, one house alone taking it is supposed between 50,000 and 100,000 bales on Friday, they have been selling March, May and July. Some think that the weight of the crop will be felt in the forepart of 1912 and predict as their belief the Lancashire lockout is likely to prove a far more serious affair than it was at first believed to be. Liverpool at times has been selling here. On the other hand, however, many believe that spinners of the world will take a good deal more than their actual consumption if prices remain at anything like their present comparatively inviting level. If the world's consumption of American cotton be put at 13,000,000 bales for the present season, they tnink it will mean higher prices as the world's spinners and practicalty those on the continent are disposed to buy several years ahead and such cotton has to be hedged by purchases of the present crop thereby sensibly reducing pressure of even such a yield of 15,000,000 to 15,500,000 bales, figures which many consider conservative. Meantime, too, the weekly statistics begin to take on a more bullish tinge. Not only are the spinners' takings large but stocks are increasing less rapidly than they were a year ago, and the relatively small quantity brought into sight during the last week has attracted attention. The New York figures for the week are only 422,000 against 651,000 last week, and 412,000 last year Of late foreign buying, specially by the continent, has been renewed here and on Friday January notices for 100,000 bales were spedily stopped by big spot interests. Waldorf-Astoria operators have lately been covering shorts. Wall Street moneyed interests in some notable cases favor the bull side, though the $50,000,000 pool plan has collapsed.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

New York, Dec. 29.—For the week ending Friday, Dec. 29:

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during the week, 352,087.

Net receipts at all U. S. ports same week last year, 315,671.

Total receipts since September 1st, 7,140,907.

Total receipts to same date last year, 6,019,061.

Exports for the week, 302,595.

Exports for same week last year, 260,232.

Total exports since September 1st, 5,023,890.

Total exports same date last year, 4,324,454.

Stock at all United States ports, 1,582,127.

Stock at all U. S. ports same time last year, 1,157,791.

Stock at all interior towns, 846,612.

Stock at all interior towns, same time last year, 733,408.

Stock at Liverpool, 807,000.

Stock at Liverpool same date last year, 975,000.

Stock of American afloat for Great Britain, 299,000.

Stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year, 422,000.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

New York, Dec. 29.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston	2,236,489
New Orleans	835,940
Mobile	230,564
Savannah	1,359,601
Charleston	208,345
Wilmington	352,574
Norfolk	467,750
Baltimore	54,961
New York	3,099
Boston	82,802
Newport News	7,241
San Francisco	83,711
Brunswick	253,438
Port Townsend	65,972
Pensacola	90,816
Port Arthur and Sabine Pass	94,247
Jacksonville	30,239
Laredo, Texas	1,021
Gulfport	30,645
Georgetown	430
Texas City	408,455
Minor Ports	2,507
Total bales	7,140,907

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET

Liverpool, Dec. 29.—Spot in limited demand, prices 2 points lower. American middling fair 5.65; good middling 5.27; middling 5.01; low middling 4.85; good ordinary 4.69; ordinary 4.49.

The sales of the day were 5,000 bales, of which 2,500 were for speculation and export and included 4,700 American. Receipts 32,000 bales, including 31,200 American.

Futures opened steady and closed firm. January 4.91 1-2; January and February 4.81 1-2; February and March 4.94; March and April 4.96; April and May 4.98 1-2; May and June 5.01; June and July 5.03 1-2; July and August 5.05 1-2; August and September 5.06 1-2; September and October 5.07; October and November 5.08; November and December 5.08; December and January 5.08; January and February 5.09.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 29.—The cotton goods and cotton yarn markets are slowly hardening. Hope and Lonsdale muslins have been placed at value and wide Sprng cloths are firmer. Cotton wools have been selling more freely and domestc wools are firmer. Retailers are buyng for January sales.

BEARS EXTEND OPERATIONS

Conditions in Stock Market of Unusual Interest---No Hint of Year-end Flurry—Tone is Strong

New York, Dec. 29.—A few points of decided strength appeared in today's stock market. The movement as a whole, was not large. In the fore part of the day the list moved uncertainly, with intermittent periods of heaviness. Reading, Lehigh Valley, St. Paul, Union Pacific and United States Steel in particular, showed the effects of pressure exerted by the bears in the expectation or continuing the decline of yesterday. Before noon a general recovery had set in and the list developed increasing strength as the day progressed. At the close the tone was strong. The firm tone of the latter part of the day apparently was due in part to the demand from the short interest. The heaviness which developed yesterday encouraged the bears to extend their operations today.

The stocks which showed pronounced strength were issues which seldom take a prominent part in trading. Rock Island, preferred rose three points and New York Central nearly as much. The advance in the latter stock was attributed to advantages which it was expected would result from the projected consolidation of the company with controlled lines.

Conditions in the money market were of unusual interest owing to the fact that this was the last loaning day of the year. There was no hint of the year-end flurry which is often experienced. Call money did not rise above four per cent., as compared with 7 per cent. on the last loaning day of 1910.

The bond market was irregular. Total sales par value $3,041,000. United States 4s coupon declined 1-4 on call. Total sales for the day 403,000 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	7½
Amalgamated Copper	65⅝
American Agricultural	61½
American Beet Sugar	56¼
American Can	10⅞
American Car and Foundry	54
American Cotton Oil	46½
American Hide and Leather, pfd	23
American Ice Securities	18
American Linseed	11
American Locomotive	35
American Smelting and Refining	72¼
American Smelting and Ref., pfd	102
American Steel Foundries	33
American Sugar Refining	115
American Tel. and Tel	137⅝
American Tobacco, pfd	102⅝
American Woolen	25
Anaconda Mining Co	37¾
Atchison	106
Atchison, pfd	101½
Atlantic Coast L enl	134
Baltimore and Ohio	102¼
Bethlehem Steel	30¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	76
Canadian Pacific	241¾
Central Leather	20⅝
Central Leather, pfd	91¼
Central of New Jersey	315
Chesapeake and Ohio	73½
Chicago and Alton	21
Chicago Great Western	18½
Chicago Great Western, pfd	35⅜
Chicago and North Western	142½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	108½
C., C., C. and St. Louis	60½
Colorado Fuel and Iron	26½
Colorado and Southern	48
Consolidated Gas	138¼
Corn Products	10¾
Delaware and Hudson	167
Denver and Rio Grande	19½
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	39⅝
Distillers' Securities	31
Erie	31½
Erie, 1st pfd	52
Erie, 2nd pfd	42
General Electric	153¼
Great Northern, pfd	126½
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	38¾
Illinois Central	140
Interborough Met	16½
Interborough Met., pfd	60½
Inter Harvester	106⅝
Inter Marine, pfd	22⅛
International Paper	9½
International Pump	32
Iowa Central	15
Kansas City Southern	27¼
Kansas City Southern, pfd	64
Laclede Gas	106
Louisville and Nashville	154
Minneapolis and St. Louis	31
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	134¾
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	28⅝
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	62
Missouri Pacific	40
National Biscuit	139⅝
National Lead	54½
Nat Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	35⅝
New York Central	107⅝
New York, Ontario and Western	37⅜
Norfolk nd Western	108
North American	74⅞
Northern Pacific	117⅝
Pacific Mail	31¼
Pennsylvania	122¾
People's Gas	103¼
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	98
Pittsburg Coal	18¼
Pressed Steel Car	32½
Pullman Palace Car	158½
Railway Steel Spring	30⅝
Reading	151
Republic Steel	26⅛
Republic Steel, pfd	84
Rock Island Co	24⅜
Rock Island Co., pfd	48½
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	40½
St. Louis Southwestern	29¾
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	72
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	44
Southern Pacific	111¼
Southern Railway	28⅞
Southern Railway, pfd	70⅝
Tennessee Copper	37¼
Texas and Pacific	20⅜
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	13½
Toledo, St. L. and Western, pfd	34
Union Pacific	171
Union Pacific, pfd	92
United States Realty	98¼
United States Rubber	47½
United States Steel	67
United States Steel, pfd	110¾
Utah Copper	55¼
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	54
Wabash	6¼
Wabash, pfd	16⅞
Western Maryland	60½
Westinghouse Electric	65
Western Union	77⅛
Wheeling and Lake Erie	3½

NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Dec. 29.—Turpentine, firm, at 50¼; sales, 3,82; receipts, 2,24; shipments, 3,27; stocks, 33,906.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 3,068; receipts, 2,302; shipments, 229; stocks, 113,757. Quote: B, 6.92½@7.00¼; C, 6.97½@7.00; E, 7.02½@7.05; F, 7.07½@7.10; G, H, 7.10@7.12½; I, 7.20; K, 7.35; M, N, 7.40; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

New York, Dec. 29.—Rosin and turpentine, quiet.

Charleston, Dec. 29.—Turpentine, firm, 50@50¼.

Rosin—Firm. Quote: A, B, C, 6.87½; D, 6.90; E, 6.95@7.00; F, 7.00@7.05; G, 7.00@7.05; H, 7.02½@7.05; I, 7.02½@7.05; K, 7.20; N, 7.40; W G, 7.55; W W, 7.75.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 20.—Spanish—Firm at 80c. per bushel. Virginias—Firm. Jumbo, 4c. per lb. Fancy hnd-picked, 3⅝c. to 3¾c. per lb. Extra prime, 3½c. per lb.; Prime, 3c. per lb.; Machine-Picked, 3c. to 3½c. per lb.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Core, Fayetteville, S. M. King.

Cleared.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. W. Brooks.

Schr. Warren B. Potter, 311 tons, Hammett, Georgetown, C. D. Mafflitt.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Nederland (Dutch), 2,588 tons, Boere, Heide & Co.

Indian Monarch (Br.), 2,818 tons, Wood, H. A. Whyte.

Hillmere (Br.), 2,239 tons, Griffiths, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Runswick (Br.), 1,940 tons; Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Belle Isle (Fr.), 1,382 tons, St. Martan, Heide & Co.

Bengrove (Br.), 2,389 tons, Barber, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Wm. Thomas Moore, 261 tons, Jones, C. D. Mafflitt.

Eliza A. Scribner, 350 tons, Dodd, C. D. Mafflitt.

Mineola (Br.), 270 tons, Forsythe, C. D. Mafflitt.

Sylvia C. Hall, 285 tons, Sprague, C. D. Mafflitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 40 tons, Hart, C. D. Mafflitt; in distress.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 29.

Atlantic Coast Line—1,350 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 15 barrels rosin; 13 barrels tar; 77 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—348 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—77 barrels rosin; 7 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—1,698 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 92 barrels rosin; 13 barrels tar; 84 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—1,936 bales cotton; 11 casks spirits turpentine; 22 barrels rosin; 104 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Dec. 29.—Flour was about steady with demand only moderate.

Rye Flour and Corn Meal—Steady.

Buckwheat Flour and Rye—Quiet.

Barley—Dull.

Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red 96 1-2 elevator, export basis to arrive and 98 f.o.b. afloat. Options 1-8 to 3-8c net lower. December 96 5-8; May 1.02 7-8.

Corn—Spot steady, export new 95 1-2 f.o.b. afloat. Futures nominal.

Oats—Spot steady, standard white 52 3-4 in elevator; No. 2, 53 1-4.

Pork, Cut Meats, Tallow, Petroleum and Molasses—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Rice, Beef and Lard—Firm.

Sugar—Raw easy; refined steady.

Coffee—Futures closed steady at a net advance of one point on November, while other months were 5 to 9 points net higher. Spot—Quiet; Rio No. 7, 14 1-2; Santos No. 4, 15 3-4.

Mfid—Dull; Cordova 16 1-2 to 18 1-2, nominal.

Butter—Steady.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Easier.

Potatoes—Firmer; European per 168 pounds 2.25 to 2.50.

Cabbages—Steady, unchanged.

Freights—Barely steady; cotton by steam to Liverpool 30 to 55.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Steady and with very little change from yesterday. Trading was mostly switching of January to later months. Outside trade continues very poor. Crude markets were steady. Spot closed 3 points higher and other months generally unchanged to two points higher. January 5.25 to 5.26; February 5.28 to 5.34; March 5.36 to 5.38; April 5.39 to 5.42; May 5.47 to 5.49; prime crude 5.13 sales; prime Summer yellow 5.23 to 5.30; prime Winter yellow 5.65 to 5.98; prime Summer white 5.25 to 5.80.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 29.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady, 49¾ cents.

ROSIN—Steady, $6.25.

TAR—Firm at $1.80 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.50 per barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip, and $4.50 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, nothing doing; tar, firm, $2.60; crude turpentine, firm, at $4.50@$6.00.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	2
Rosin	92
Tar	13
Crude Turpentine	84

Receipts same day last year, 11 casks spirits turpentine; 22 barrels rosin; 104 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8½.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 1,698 bales; same day last year, 1,936 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 16.)

CORN—Firm; .85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, 80c. per bu.; yams, 60c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—7c. to 9c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17 to 18 per lb.

HIDES—Green, .08 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 13 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; .27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 18c. on foot Chickens, grown, 40 to 45 per head; chickens, spring, 20@40c. per head. Geese, 65 to 70c. per head.

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Fair demand, 24@25 per doz.

WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW

What R. G. Dun & Co., Will Give Out Today

New York, Dec. 29.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

The year closes with something approaching buoyancy in some leading departments of trade. In the wholesale trade preparations are in progress for the new year.

The business in iron and steel comes forward in heavy volume, orders for rails being the leading feature, and at the West the plate mills have their months' work ahead. Holiday business is out of the way and retailers of dry goods anticipate a larger business than usual in cotton domestics because of the attractive prices ruling for January sales. The wholesale trade is quiet but there is a tone of optimism in the market and prices hold very steady on drills, sheetings, printcloths and other staples.

Colored domestics are firm and orders are being placed further ahead. Export trade to all markets, save China, is satisfactory. Cotton yarn buyers are indifferent, but worsted yarns are firm. Dress goods and men's wear mills are in a decidedly better position than a year ago, and indications are most favorable for a substantial operation of machinery and employment of operatives during the Winter.

Trading in footwear is quiet at the close of the year. Some manufacturers feel the lack of supplementary orders, and to keep plants in operation are working on reserve contracts.

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Fear of injury to the Fall sown crop in case of a severe cold wave rallied the wheat market today after an early dip, due to better reports from the Argentine harvest. The close was steady, ¼ off to ¼ up, as compared with 24 hours before. Corn showed a gain of ¼ and ⅜ net and oats an advance of ¼@⅝ to ⅝@⅞. The end of the day left hog products within 2½ either way from last night's level.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 96@97; No. 3, red, 93@95; No. 2, hard, 97@1.00; No. 3, hard, 94½@97; No. 1, northern, 1.07@1.09; No. 2, northern, 1.05@1.07; No. 3, northern, 1.00@1.05; No. 2, Spring, 98@1.02; No. 3, Spring, 95@1.00; No. 4, Spring, 85@97; velvet chaff, 96@1.03; durum, 90@1.00.

Corn—No. 3, 61@61½; No. 3, white, 61¼@61⅝; No. 3, yellow, 61¼@62; No. 4, 58@58⅝; old, 65; No. 4, white, 59½@59¾; old, 65; No. 4, yellow, 58@59; old, 68.

Oats—No. 2, white, 48¼@48¾; No. 3, white, 46½@47⅝; No. 4, white, 43@47½; standard, 47½@48¾.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	94½	94½	94	94⅛
May	98½	99	98¼	98⅞
July	93⅞	94⅜	93¾	94¼
Corn:				
Dec	65	65	63½	64¼
May	63⅜	63⅝	63¼	63⅜
July	63¼	63⅝	63¼	63⅜
Oats:				
Dec	46⅜	46⅝	46¼	46⅝
May	47	47⅝	46⅞	47⅝
July	43	43⅝	43	43½
Mess Pork, per barrel:				
Jan	15.37	15.47	15.37	15.45
May	15.90	15.97	15.90	15.92½
July	16.05	16.10	16.05	16.05
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	9.07	9.15	9.07	9.12
May	9.35	9.40	9.32	9.37
July	9.45	9.52	9.45	9.50
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	8.25	8.32	8.25	8.30
May	8.57	8.62	8.57	8.57
July	8.62	8.65	8.62	8.62

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(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

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New line of midwinter hats for men and boys
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With every purchase of $10.00 worth or more of goods from our store, for spot cash, on Friday, Saturday or Monday, forenoon, by one person, we will give free one admission ticket to the great Aviation Meet on January 1st, at Highwood Park, upon the following conditions:
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'PHONE 343.

ARE NOTHING BUT GENERAL PROMISES

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would represent a very small advance over our present position.

"It is possible with sincerity and patriotism to favor the arbitration treaties (although I personally disagree with this view). It is possible with sincerity and patriotism to oppose the arbitration treaties. But it is neither sincere nor patriotic to make believe to support the principle of arbitration in general, and to try to get the country to commit itself to this principle, and at the same time to take part in, or to connive at, the repudiation by this country of the principle so loudly advocated, the very first moment that it is possible to reduce that principle to practice. In other words, it will put this country into a position both ridiculous and discreditable to pass the proposed general arbitration treaties at the same time that we denounce our general treaty with Russia.

"The other day the lower House, with but one dissenting vote, passed a resolution in favor of the abrogation of the treaty. Among those who voted for this motion are many men who are against the unamended arbitration treaties. These men occupy a sincere and consistent position; it is the position with which I personally agree. The one dissenting vote was that cast by a gentleman who announced that he was in favor of the general arbitration treaties, and therefore, could not consistently take a position wholly incompatible with favoring them. Although I do not agree with this gentleman, I feel that his position showed both courage and sincerity. But surely, all men who think clearly must unqualifiedly condemn any man who advocates the general arbitration treaties, without at the same time fearlessly showing his sincerity by denouncing the proposal to arbitrate the Russian treaty without submitting its interpretation to arbitration. The Senate by vote has joined in abrogating the Russian treaty and therefore it will act in a way to cast discredit upon the United States if it approves the arbitration treaties unamended. At the recent New York peace meeting in favor of the treaties (which ended in a riot) it was not creditable to the speakers for those treaties that they did not venture to declare themselves on the one practical issue, of the kind the treaties are expected to settle, which was actually before the people—that is, the matter of the abrogation of the Russian treaty without effort to get it authoritatively interpreted.

"It cannot be too often repeated that these general abrogation treaties are nothing whatever but general promises. Their value lies wholly in the sincerity with which the promise is made and the fullness with which the promise is redeemed. I do not believe in making these promises, because I think that we are promising too much, and because, moreover, I fully believe that, as our action in abrogating the Russian treaty, is equivalent to open and cynical confession that as a people we do not intend to keep our promise, that we have no regard for the good faith of the Nation, that we are willing to make improperly sweeping promises to please one set of men and at the same time scandalously to break these promises to please another set of men.

"These treaties are drawn in such sweeping and vague general terms, especially in the use of the word 'justifiable,' that they might, in any concrete case, be held to mean anything or nothing, and to encourage just the kind of double-dealing and bad faith which is now being shown. One thing is certain; if the question of the interpretation of a treaty is not "justifiable', then there never can be any question arise which is justifiable. If the action taken in abrogating the Russian treaty is not utter and complete violation of the whole spirit and purpose of the proposed arbitration treaties, then the latter are not worth the paper on which they are written I believe that we are right in abrogating the Russian treaty, just because I also believe that the general arbitration treaties are not worth the paper on which they are written.

"The point upon which I insist is that this Nation should behave without hypocrisy and with straightforward sincerity in its international relations; that it should not lie, or make promises which it would not keep. I do not question the honesty and sincerity of the many good people who, without sufficient thought, and in response to a vague general sentiment in favor of both peace and justice which fails to realize that sometimes peace can be obtained only at the expense of justice, have advocated both the universal arbitration treaties and the abrogation of the Russian treaty. But when the Nation, through its government, acts, it cannot plead the excuse of lack of thought. If, as a people, our action is insincere and lacking in straightforwardness, then, when this action has been officially taken, we cannot escape the charge of hypocrisy when later we fail to live up to our promises.

"It is arrant hypocrisy for this Nation to support the unamended arbitration treaties at the same time that we abrogate the Russian treaty, and to do so is to put this Nation in a thoroughly false and discreditable attitude. Hypocrisy is as revolting in a Nation as in a man, and, in the long run, I do not believe that it pays either man or Nation."

HORSE RACING IN HALIFAX.

Four Events Will be Pulled Off at Scotland Neck January 1st.

Scotland Neck, N. C., Dec. 29.—Large circulars have been sent out announcing a big horse race here on January 4th, by those who are interested in the race track. There will be four races. It is said there have been entered some of the fastest horses in eastern North Carolina.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Peterson & Rulfs—Come.
F. T. Mills—Don't Forget.
Academy—The Chorus Lady.
Hopkins & Davis—A Happy New Year.
Crystal Palace Confectionery—Specials.

Business Locals.

Wanted—Stenographer.
For Sale—Carloud Gravel.

Only One "BROMO QUININE"

That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

CHINA'S NEW GOVERNMENT.

National Convention Will Determine the Binding Form.

Shanghai, Dec. 29.—The peace conference being held here between the representative of the Peking government and the revolutionary party today agreed that the form of government to be ultimately adopted for China should be decided by a National convention whose determinations should be binding on both parties. It also was agreed that pending the decision of the National convention the Manchu government was neither to accept nor to attempt to obtain foreign loans. Another agreement reached is that all Manchu troops in the provinces of Shan Si, Hu Peh, Nganhwei and Kgan Su shall evacuate their present positions and withdraw from them to a distance of 100 li (about 37 miles) within five days, beginning from December 31st. The Republican troops meanwhile shall neither advance nor occupy the places evocuated pending special arrangements to be reached by mutual agreement. The Manchu troops are not to advance nor to attack the positions at Shan Tung held by the Republicans, nor shall the Republican troops advance upon nor capture new places.

It is understood that the National convention to be called is to include those delegates at present in conference at Nanking, who have elected Dr. Sun Yat Sen president of the Republic and others to be elected.

Tang Shao Yi today received a telegram from Peking saying that Tuan Fang formerly director general of Hukang railroad, and ex-viceroy of the province of Chi Li, had arrived in the capital disguised as a coolie. It was reported December 18th, that Tuan had been killed at Tsechow, province of Tchan Si by his own soldiers. According to the telegram received by Tang, Tuan says he bribed his soldiers to announce publicly that they had murdered him. Instead, they killed a pig and exhibited their bloody swords to the populace, vowing that the stains had been made by Tuan's blood. Meanwhile, Tuan, clothed in rags, made his escape.

Sun Yat Sen is President.

Shanghai, Dec. 29.—Immediately following receipt of word from Nanking that he had been elected President of the Republic of China, Dr. Sun Yat Sen handed the following statement to the Associated Press with the request that it be transmitted to his friends in the United States:

"I consider it my duty to accept the Presidency. My policy. My policy will be to secure peace and a stable government by the promptest methods possible. My single aim is to insure the peace and contentment of the millions of my fellow countrymen."

News of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's election to the Presidency by the delegates of the 18 provinces of China proper at their Nanking conference spread among the population. Crowds are on their way to the house in the French concession in which he has resided. When Dr. Sun appeared he was greeted with an enthusiastic ovation.

It is believed that President Sun Yat Sen will immediately demand the withdrawal of the so-called imperial troops from their strategical positions in order to avoid possibility of conflict with Republican troops. As soon as this has been effected the armistice now existing will be extended and the Manchu troops will be ordered to lay down their arms or to enter the service of the Republic.

Fresh Proposals for Truce

London, Dec. 29.—The Daily Telegraph's Peking correspondent says the report that Tang Shai Yi, representative of Yuan Shi Kai, at the peace conference at Shanghai, had resigned proves incorrect, but that Tang is now openly a republican. He adds that the revolutionary cabinet is engaged in drafting fresh proposals for an armistice.

Continuing the correspondent says: "The departure from the forbidden city at noon today (Friday) of the ex Regent, Prince Chun, who was followed by a closed carriage guarded by an escort of Lancers, caused a report that the father was removing his child, the Emperor, from Peking.

"According to the vernacular press yes terday's conference between Yuan Shi Kai, the Dowager Empress and princes of the Imperial clan, caused a dramatic and pregnant scene in the palace. Some of the princes wailed that death was preferable to dishonor, the Dowager Empress swooned repeatedly, and the whole palace was filled with lamentations.

"The Mongolian question, which suddenly and unexpectedly has entered the situation, has caused a decisive crisis owing to Russia advancing claims the acceptance of which would mean the destruction of Chinese suzerainty. The Chinese foreign board is reticent, but admits having received a veiled ultimatum and that Russian troops are expected to cross the frontier at two places."

WOULD END DIVORCE LAW.

Judge Says It Tends to Mendacity, Immorality and Indecency.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 29.—"Abolish the divorce laws of Michigan," is the advice of Judge F. D. Kinne, who has sat on the circuit bench of this county for the last quarter of a century.

"Hitherto, as a rule, I have administered the law as I found it on the statute books," said Judge Kinnie. "It seemed to me that divorce was the only escape from brutality, wretchedness and hopeless unhappiness, but of late the privilege of divorce has been so misused and I have witnessed such flagrant disregard for truth, morality and decency that my former convictions have experienced considerable modification, if not revolution.

"Doubtless, some good may come from agitation, surveillance and revision, but these means will not successfully meet the issue.

"In my opinion there is just one way to solve this problem. Let the next Legislature enact a law that never again for any cause whatsoever, shall there be granted a divorce from the bonds of matrimony in the State of Michigan. In certain cases let there be a decree of separation, but no dissolution of the marriage contract."

Ends Winter's Troubles.

To many, Winter is a season of trouble. The frost-bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold-stores, red and rough skins, prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of burns, boils, piles, cuts, sores, bruises, eczema and sprains. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

YOUTH SMOTHERED TO DEATH.

Fatal Accident at Lumberton Oil Mill. Lady Ill—Meeting.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 29.—Dosher McLean, a young white man, 18 or 20 years old, met a horrible death at the oil mill this morning about 4 o'clock, when a huge pile of seed fell on him, smothering him to death before he could be rescued. He was employed in the mill, and being missed from his post of duty, search was immediately made in the seed pile, which it was seen had only a short time before fallen. Life was extinct when the body was recovered.

About 5 o'clock this morning while Mrs. M. Beverly was preparing to leave on the early train for Lake City, S. C., she suffeed an attack of what at first was thought to be paralysis, but which passed off after a short time, leaving no symptoms of the dread disease. Her right arm, face and tongue were affected, her tongue being affected to the extent of making her speech difficult to understand. This evening Mrs. Beverly seems to have entirely recovered, and she expects to make the trip to South Carolina on the morning train.

The meeting of merchants, farmers and all citizens interested in the cotton conditions, which was called to meet here today, wa svery disappointing, as few farmers came in, and the attendance at the meeting was estimated at not over 50.

CHILD LABOR COMMITTEE.

Meeting in Raleigh for Mapping Out Campaign of the Year.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 29.—There was held tonight a called meeting of the North Carolina Child Labor Committee for the special purpose of formulating plans for a campaign the coming year to bring about such legislative influences as will secure reforms that the committee stands for. These include the raising of the age limit for child labor and the prohibition of the working of women and children under 16 in factories at night. A fight to this end was made in the last Legislature and failed with the exception of the reduction of the hours of labor from 66 to 60 hours, effective January 1st. Among the members of the committee are C. L. Coone, Dr. R. T. Vann, Bishop James Blount Cheshire, J. W. Bailey, ex-Governor Chas. B. Aycock, J. I. Foust, A. M. Scales, R. F. Campbell, Dr. J. J. Hall, Bishop Robert Strange and others. Nothing is given out as to the outcome of the deliberations.

Governor Kitchin announces a $200 reward for Henry Patterson, colored, for the cold blooded murder of Ernest Torry, colored, at Shannon, Robeson county, November 18th. The reward is at the request of the sheriff and other county authorities.

WATCH PRICE OF SHOES.

In Consequence of Report That Price Will be Increased.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Officials of the Department of Justice will keep a close watch on the price of shoes during the next year in consequence of reports that the cost to consumers will be materially increased. If the advance is made the government in all probability will institute an investigation to determine whether or not it resulted from a combination in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The reports, which intimate that the increase will come next Fall, were called to the attention of officials here today. Usually an investigation is started by the department in response to specific complaints. In the case of shoes, however, it is not likely, it is said, that the government would wait for a protest from the sufferers from high prices.

Various reasons are assigned for the reported approaching increase. Some manufacturers, it is said, attribute it to an advance in the price of raw materials for shoes. Following the immutable law of supply and demand, the raw materials, it is added, have gone up because of a scarcity of hides.

TEDDY MUST BE CANDIDATE

Cannot Escape Nebraska Votes in the Primary Election

Lincoln, Dec. 29.—Theodore Roosevelt cannot escape being a candidate for the nomination for President, according to a ruling made today by Secretary of State Wait, who said Mr Roosevelt's name would remain on the primary election ballots unless John O. Yeizer, of Omaha, who filed the petition withdraws it.

Mr. Roosevelt, himself, the secretary said, cannot cancel the petition.

The ruling is supplementary to one made at the time of the filing and is in anticipation of an expected petition placing W. J. Bryan on the ballot as a Presidential candidate. News reached Secretary Wait that such a petition was being prepared.

A GRUESOME FIND

Foreigner Cuts Himself Almost to Death in Greensboro Hotel

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 29.—Carved almost into ribbons, William Rodenkirchen, a foreigner, was found in a hotel room today almost dead from loss of blood. With a small pen knife he had almost severed each hand at the wrist, had stabbed himself in the breast above the heart and had gouged a deep hole in his neck in an effort to reach his wind pipe. He may recover despite his self-inflicted wounds. Homesick, Rodenkirchen attempted his life after leaving a farewell note written in his own blood.

To wash brushes and cobs, put a teaspoonful of ammonia in a basin of hot water and dip the brush up and down in it, letting the comb remain in the water for a few minutes. In this way all the grease will disappear, and after rinsing in cold water, both brushes and combs will be perfectly clean.

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GIVES SKIN TO SAVE SON.

Several Inches Taken From Father Applied to Child's Face.

East Orange, N. J., Dec. 29.—Having volunteered to give several square inches of his skin to save from disfigurement his infant son, William S. Fort, a twin, who was burned badly several weeks ago in his crib, Franklin W. Fort, son of John Franklin Fort, former Governor, submitted to an operation yesterday afternoon in his residence, 70 Carleton street.

Dr. J. L. Seward, of Orange, transplanted the parent's cuticle to the face of the child, and the operation, which was painful to Mr. Fort, was successfully performed.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head one cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, one cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amounts being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A. D. T. Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams, but a small charge for strictly A. D. T. calls or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams, bills rendered to suit the sender daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call Western Union, 'Phone No. 2. But for advertisements, always call the Star office, No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

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FOR SALE—One carload of gravel delivered to any point on dummy line in city for $1.25 per ton. 'Phone 1443. de30-1t*

WANTED—Stenographer for general office; male preferred. Address, stating experience and salary expected, "F. W. A." care Star office. de30-3t

HOG JOWL AND PEAS for New Year's. Nice dressed turkeys and chickens; selected oysters; fancy celery and lettuce; all kinds extra good fresh meats. New native pork hams. Palace Market, 'Phone 72. de29-tf

NOTICE—To those wishing a toothless hog jowl for New Year's, can get same at Baggett Bros. Also white peas, 10c. per quart until Jan. 2nd. Baggett Bros., 113 South Front street; 'phone 173. de29-3t

BOYS WANTED — A few industrious white boys, 13 to 16 years of age, wanted to carry routes. Must be willing to rise early and work hard for an hour before business or school. Address, giving address and telephone number, "P. D. Q.," care Star Office. de29-3t

HAVE YOU A DICTIONARY?—See big, free proposition to subscribers of The Morning Star, elsewhere in today's paper. Get busy. Offer may be withdrawn at any time. Supply is limited. de29-6t

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UNEQUALLED OPPORTUNITIES to learn the automobile business and get positions afterward, are offered by the Southern Automobile College, Oak Ridge, N. C. Write for particulars today. de21-12t*

NOTICE—If you want to make your wife or husband smile Xmas morning, stop by D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co.'s, No. 130 Market street, and buy a present that will please any wife or husband. D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co., J. B. Griffith, Mgr. de15-tf

ASK YOUR GROCER to send you a bottle of Polite's Pepper Sauce. The sauce of purity and quality. de5-1mo

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FOR SALE—Three safes, different sizes. One typewriter and desk, one large roll top desk, one long high desk. See us for bargains. Central Ice Co. 'Phones 221-222. de24-tf

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